2015 SENATE HUMAN SERVICES

SCR 4015

2015 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Human Services Committee
Red River Room, State Capitol

SCR 4015
2/11/2015
23638

☐ Subcommittee
☐ Conference Committee

Committee Clerk Signature Donald Mueller

Explanation or reason for introduction of bill/resolution:

A concurrent resolution urging Congress to repeal the portions of the federal Affordable Care Act which are overreaching and the portions which are counter to good governance.

Minutes: Attach #1: Mr. Sorum BCBS Premium Breakdown

Senator Ron Carlisle introduced SCR 4015 to the Senate Human Services Committee. The rule making process is ongoing. There is a study that shows that 2/3 majority of the public things there are parts that are salvageable.

Senator Howard Anderson, Jr. is any survey of North Dakota people that we could refer to or only the national survey.

Senator Carlisle indicated it is only a national survey. It is a few months old, but we do not have North Dakota survey. Public comment shows that Affordable Care Act is not a popular item.

Chairman Judy Lee indicated that we did DO PASS SB 2174, which includes studying the state's health care delivery system. Do you think there is a relation and blended together?

Senator Carlisle indicated yes, much related. Congress should be aware of something.

Chairman Judy Lee wanted to make sure that even if we send to congress, we will be studying in North Dakota.

(4:42)
Paul Sorum, testified IN FAVOR of SCR 4015. (attach #1) His father in law was a prior president of Blue Cross Blue Shield in North Dakota, so he understands the insurance business. He comes to testify that he can't afford health insurance. Mr. Sorum reviewed his policy cost, will cost $30,621.96 per year. If he struggles with health insurance cost, others will have that same impact. Mr. Sorum compared his insurance cost today to several years ago. If he needed something catastrophic, after 3 years, he feels the cost to pay out of pocket would be less than the cost of insurance. Have yet to see in U.S. constitution that feds can regulate our state's insurance. We may not have sufficient

number of providers that we want, but we have good coverage. We should send message to Washington - we don't want them involved in North Dakota healthcare. Mr. Sorum continued that this is destructive to the people.

V. Chairman Oley Larsen can remember through the election process that our federal senators and representatives were touting repealing the Affordable Care Act. Now that there is a majority of Republicans in the Senate and House, are you hearing that there will be a repeal at the national level.

Mr. Sorum general consensus is yes. A recent poll showed 59% of people in North Dakota want a full or partial repeal. It might get stalled in the senate and the threat of veto by the president. It will be at least after the next presidential election a full or partial repeal.

OPPOSED TO SCR 4015
No opposing testimony

NEUTRAL to SCR 4015
No neutral testimony

Closed Public Hearing.

Senator Howard Anderson, Jr. stated he is also sponsoring this bill. And what was pointed out in the testimony, in order to pay for insurance to pay for the lower income, the rest of us are paying astronomical prices. He supports this for partial repeal to take a look and find improvements. Not sure this will do anything or not. If North Dakota delegation feels there should be repeal, if republicans were all in control, they still may not repeal the whole thing. But some of the things could be fixed.

Senator Dever it is also his understanding that there is bi-partisan support for partial repeal.

Chairman Judy Lee there are things that should have happened 20 years earlier, such as pre-existing conditions, we probably would not have ended up with such an enormous response. There are areas that should be considered.

Senator Dever moved a DO PASS for SCR 4015. The motion was seconded by **V. Chairman Oley Larsen**.

Discussion
Senator Warner agrees there is bi-partisan support. However, this resolution seems negative and doesn't bring up constructive solutions to support.

Senator Axness concurred, that there are areas that need improvement. He doesn't see anywhere in the resolution that states repeal and replace with any constructive adaptations of the bill. Senator Axness agrees there needs to be improvements on the overall bill, but will not support the resolution.

Senator Dever stated that if Senator Axness suggestion is that we replace with repeal and replace, he would strongly support.

Senator Axness indicated "the portions"

Chairman Judy Lee the motion is to move the resolution forward, but amendments can be introduced.

V. Chairman Oley Larsen until they address the essential benefits and taxes that they will take, it will never get better. They will never address those because if they weaken those, then the funding source dries up and it will not support itself. You don't hear a peep from Washington about changing essential benefits or taxes.

Roll Call Vote to DO PASS
4 Yes, 2 No, 0 Absent. Motion passes

Senator Howard Anderson, Jr. will carry SCR 4015 to the floor.

Date: 02/11 2015
Roll Call Vote #: 1

2015 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE
ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SCR 4015

Senate Human Services Committee

☐ Subcommittee

Amendment LC# or Description: _____

Recommendation: ☐ Adopt Amendment
☒ Do Pass ☐ Do Not Pass ☐ Without Committee Recommendation
☐ As Amended ☐ Rerefer to Appropriations
☐ Place on Consent Calendar

Other Actions: ☐ Reconsider ☐ _____

Motion Made By Dever Seconded By Larsen

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Senator Judy Lee (Chairman)	✓		Senator Tyler Axness		✓
Senator Oley Larson (V-Chair)	✓		Senator John M. Warner		✓
Senator Howard C. Anderson, Jr.	✓				
Senator Dick Dever	✓				

Total (Yes) 4 No 2

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Anderson

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SCR 4015: Human Services Committee (Sen. J. Lee, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (4 YEAS, 2 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SCR 4015 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

2015 HOUSE INDUSTRY, BUSINESS AND LABOR

SCR 4015

2015 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Industry, Business and Labor Committee
Peace Garden Room, State Capitol

SCR 4015
3/9/2015
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☐ Subcommittee
☐ Conference Committee

Ellen LeTang

Explanation or reason for introduction of bill/resolution:

A resolution urging Congress to repeal the portions of the federal Affordable Care Act which are overreaching & the portions which are counter to good governance.

Minutes:

Chairman Keiser: Opens the SCR 4015.

Senator Carlisle~District 30-Bismarck: Introduces the bill and it's pretty self explainatory.

Representative Kasper: Did you see the study the study you cite in the resolution?

Carlisle: No, I did not.

Representative Kasper: Can I get a copy of that?

Carlisle: Yes

Chairman Keiser: Anyone here to testify in support of SCR

Representative Kasper: There are a number of phrases that I don't like and I'm uncomfortable with in the bill. I would like to do some amendment or kill this.

Chairman Keiser: Is that a motion?

Representative Kasper: Moves a Do Not Pass

Representative Devlin: Seconded.

Chairman Keiser: Further discussion?

Roll call was taken for a Do Not Pass on SCR 4015 with 13 yes, 1 no, 1 absent and Representative Beadle is the carrier.

Date: Mar 9, 2015

Roll Call Vote: 1

2015 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE
ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 4015

House Industry, Business & Labor Committee

☐ Subcommittee ☐ Conference Committee

Amendment LC# or Description: _____

Recommendation: ☐ Adopt Amendment
☐ Do Pass ☒ Do Not Pass ☐ Without Committee Recommendation
☐ As Amended ☐ Rerefer to Appropriations
Other Actions: ☐ Reconsider ☐ _____

Motion Made By Rep Kasper Seconded By Rep Devlin

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman Keiser	X		Representative Lefor	X	
Vice Chairman Sukut	X		Representative Louser	X	
Representative Beadle	X		Representative Ruby	X	
Representative Becker	X		Represenative Amerman	X	
Representative Devlin	X		Representative Boschee	X	
Representative Frantsvog	Ab		Representative Hanson	X	
Representative Kasper	X		Representative M Nelson		X
Representative Laning	X				

Total (Yes) 13 No 1

Absent 1

Floor Assignment Rep Beadle

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SCR 4015: Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Rep. Keiser, Chairman) recommends **DO NOT PASS** and **BE PLACED ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR** (13 YEAS, 1 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SCR 4015 was placed on the Tenth order on the calendar.

2015 TESTIMONY

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Attach #1
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Premium Breakdown by Member

Group Name:
Effective Date: February 1, 2015
Plan Name: BLUEDIRECT GOLD 100 2100

Member Name	Premium
SORUM, PAUL	$583.38
SORUM, HEATHER	$533.33
SORUM, MOLLY	$181.59
SORUM, FORREST	$181.59
SORUM, CHRISTIAN	$285.97
SORUM, ERIN	$285.97
Contract Total	**$2,051.83**

up Total **$2,051.83**

x 12 mo.
$ 24,621.96/YR
+ $ 6,000 deductible
$30,621.96/YR

Run Date: 12/12/2014
Deemed Creditable
rates shown are estimates only. The quote given is related to the age, number of applicants, and effective date information supplied. Any changes could ect the actual premium owed upon enrollment into the chosen plan.
Contract premium reflects up to 3 children (less than 21 years of age)