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H. R. 1219

To provide for a study to determine the costs to the public and private sectors of hip fractures among elderly individuals and spinal cord injuries among children, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 27, 2001

Mr. BACA introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. STUDY REGARDING COSTS TO PUBLIC AND PRI-**
4 **VATE SECTORS OF HIP FRACTURES AMONG**
5 **ELDERLY INDIVIDUALS AND SPINAL CORD**
6 **INJURIES AMONG CHILDREN.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the National In-
8 stitutes of Health and the Comptroller General of the

1 United States shall collaborate to conduct a study for the
2 purpose of—

3 (1) determining (for the most recent one-year
4 period for which data are available) the costs to the
5 public and private sectors of hip fractures among el-
6 derly individuals and spinal cord injuries among chil-
7 dren; and

8 (2) making recommendations to reduce the inci-
9 dence of such fractures and injuries.

10 (b) CONSULTATIONS.—In conducting the study under
11 subsection (a), the officials referred to in such subsection
12 shall consult with an appropriate number and variety of
13 public and private entities, including States, providers of
14 health insurance and health plans, and patients.

15 (c) DATE CERTAIN FOR REPORT.—Not later than
16 January 10, 2003, the officials referred to in subsection
17 (a) shall complete the study under such subsection and
18 submit to the Congress a report describing the findings
19 and recommendations made pursuant to the study.

20 (d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—For the
21 purpose of carrying out this section, there are authorized
22 to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for
23 each of the fiscal years 2002 and 2003.

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