

HR 4851

Continuing Extension Act of 2010

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Conyers, John, Jr. [D-MI-14]	D · MI		Mar 16, 2010
Rep. Miller, George [D-CA-7]	D · CA		Mar 16, 2010
Rep. Oberstar, James L. [D-MN-8]	D · MN		Mar 16, 2010
Rep. Waxman, Henry A. [D-CA-30]	D · CA		Mar 16, 2010

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Budget Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 16, 2010
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 22, 2010
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 16, 2010
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 16, 2010
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 16, 2010
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 16, 2010
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 16, 2010
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 16, 2010

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Economics and Public Finance

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 HR 6556	Related bill	Dec 17, 2010: Referred to House Transportation and Infrastructure
111 S 3981	Related bill	Dec 1, 2010: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S8343)
111 S 3990	Related bill	Nov 30, 2010: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
111 HR 6419	Related bill	Nov 18, 2010: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Failed by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 258 - 154 (Roll no. 579).
111 HR 5647	Related bill	Oct 13, 2010: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.
111 S 3706	Related bill	Aug 4, 2010: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
111 HR 4213	Related bill	Jul 22, 2010: Became Public Law No: 111-205.
111 HR 5618	Related bill	Jul 14, 2010: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 459.
111 S 3551	Related bill	Jun 30, 2010: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
111 HR 5453	Related bill	May 28, 2010: Referred to House Oversight and Government Reform
111 S 3420	Related bill	May 25, 2010: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S4221-4222)
111 S 3153	Related bill	Mar 25, 2010: Motion to proceed to consideration of measure tabled in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 59 - 40. Record Vote Number: 106. (consideration: CR S2094)
111 S 3173	Related bill	Mar 25, 2010: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
111 HR 4707	Related bill	Mar 8, 2010: Referred to the Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support.
111 HR 4691	Related bill	Mar 2, 2010: Became Public Law No: 111-144.
111 HR 4183	Related bill	Dec 8, 2009: Referred to the Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support.
111 S 2831	Related bill	Dec 3, 2009: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S12325-12327)
111 HR 3548	Related bill	Nov 6, 2009: Became Public Law No: 111-92.
111 HR 3756	Related bill	Oct 7, 2009: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
111 S 1699	Related bill	Sep 23, 2009: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S9745)
111 S 1647	Related bill	Aug 7, 2009: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S9082-9083)
111 HR 3404	Related bill	Jul 31, 2009: Referred to the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials.

Continuing Extension Act of 2010 - (Sec. 2) Amends the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2008 with respect to the state-established individual emergency unemployment compensation account (EUCA). Extends the final date for entering a federal-state agreement under the Emergency Unemployment Compensation (EUC) program through June 2, 2010. Postpones the termination of the program until November 6, 2010.

Amends the Assistance for Unemployed Workers and Struggling Families Act to extend until June 2, 2010: (1) federal-state agreements increasing regular unemployment compensation payments to individuals; and (2) requirements that federal payments to states cover 100% of EUC.

Amends the Unemployment Compensation Extension Act of 2008 to exempt weeks of unemployment between enactment of this Act and November 6, 2010, from the prohibition in the Federal-State Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 1970 against federal matching payments to a state for the first week in an individual's eligibility period for which extended compensation or sharable regular compensation is paid if the state law provides for payment of regular compensation to an individual for his or her first week of otherwise compensable unemployment. (Thus allows temporary federal matching for the first week of extended benefits for states with no waiting period.)

(Sec. 3) Amends the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) to extend through May 31, 2010, premium assistance for COBRA benefits (health insurance continuation benefits under the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985).

Prescribes a special rule for an individual who experiences a qualifying event related to a termination of employment on or after April 1, 2010, and before the enactment of this Act. Applies to all COBRA continuation coverage, including state continuation coverage programs, with respect to such individual rules similar to those in the ARRA: (1) extending the election period for, and the effect on, COBRA continuation coverage; and (2) requiring a notice of such action by the administrator of a group health plan.

(Sec. 4) Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act (SSA) to extend through May 31, 2010, the 0% update to the conversion factor in the Medicare physician payment computation.

(Sec. 5) Amends SSA titles XVIII (Medicare) and XIX (Medicaid) with respect to the prohibition against incentive payments to hospital-based eligible professionals for use of certified electronic health record (EHR) technology. Redefines "hospital-based eligible professional" to repeal its application to outpatient settings, thereby permitting incentive payments to an eligible professional who furnishes services in an outpatient clinic.

(Sec. 6) Amends the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2010 to extend the use of 2009 poverty guidelines through May 31, 2010. Prohibits the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) from publishing updated poverty guidelines for 2010 until after such date.

(Sec. 7) Amends the Continuing Appropriations Resolution, 2010 to extend through May 31, 2010, the national flood insurance program.

(Sec. 8) Requires federal employees furloughed as a result of the lapse in expenditure authority from the Highway Trust Fund after 11:59 p.m. on February 28, 2010, through March 2, 2010, to be compensated for such lapse at their standard rates of compensation.

Ratifies and approves all actions taken by federal employees, contractors, and grantees to maintain the essential level of government operations, services, and activities to protect life and property and to bring about orderly termination of government functions during such lapse, if otherwise in accord with the provisions of the Continuing Appropriations Resolution, 2010.

Requires funds used by the Secretary of Transportation (DOT) to compensate such employees to be: (1) derived from funds previously authorized out of the Highway Trust Fund and made available or limited to DOT by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2010; and (2) subject to the obligation limitations established in such Act.

(Sec. 9) Extends through May 31, 2010, the adjustment of royalty fees for the secondary transmission of the primary analog transmissions of network stations and superstations. Extends through such date the moratorium on copyright liability for certain subscribers not receiving a signal of Grade A intensity of a local network television broadcast station and receiving signals of network stations affiliated with the same network, if such subscribers had satellite service of such network signal terminated between July 11, 1998, and October 31, 1999.

Amends the Communications Act of 1934 to extend through May 31, 2010, the exemption of a subscriber from the originating station consent requirement for retransmission of broadcasting station signals if the subscriber receives the retransmitted signals directly to a home satellite antenna, is located outside the station's local market, and resides in an unserved household.

Extends through June 1, 2010, the requirement that certain Federal Communications Commission (FCC) regulations prohibit: (1) a television broadcast station that provides retransmission consent from engaging in exclusive contracts for carriage or failing to negotiate in good faith; and (2) a multichannel video programming distributor from failing to negotiate in good faith for retransmission consent.

(Sec. 10) Amends the ARRA to extend through May 31, 2010, the small business loan guarantee program. Makes appropriations for the program as well as for the cost of certain loan guarantee fee reductions and eliminations.

(Sec. 11) Expresses the sense of the Senate that: (1) the Value Added Tax (VAT) is a massive tax increase that will cripple families on fixed income and only further push back America's economic recovery; and (2) it opposes a VAT.

(Sec. 12) Designates this Act, except Sec. 4, as an emergency requirement pursuant to the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 15, 2010:** Considered by Senate. (consideration: CR S2341-2357, S2363-2367)
- **Apr 15, 2010:** Cloture motion on the bill withdrawn by unanimous consent in Senate. (consideration: CR S2365)
- **Apr 15, 2010:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Yea-Nay. 59 - 38. Record Vote Number: 117.(text: CR S2365-2366)
- **Apr 15, 2010:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Yea-Nay. 59 - 38. Record Vote Number: 117. (text: CR S2365-2366)
- **Apr 15, 2010:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Apr 15, 2010:** ORDER OF PROCEDURE - Mr. Levin asked unanimous consent that it be in order at any time to take from the Speaker's table H.R. 4851, with the Senate amendment thereto, and to consider in the House, without intervention of any point of order or question of consideration, a motion offered by the chair of the Committee on Ways and Means or his designee that the House agree to the Senate amendment; that the Senate amendment be considered as read; the motion be debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means; and that the previous question be considered as ordered on the motion to final adoption without intervening motion.
- **Apr 15, 2010:** Pursuant to a previous special order the House moved to agree to the Senate amendment. (consideration: CR H2615-2620)
- **Apr 15, 2010:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on the motion to agree to the Senate amendment to H.R. 4851.
- **Apr 15, 2010:** Resolving differences -- House actions: On motion that the House agree to the Senate amendment Agreed to by recorded vote: 289 - 112 (Roll no. 211).(text as House agreed to Senate amendment: CR H2615-2616)
- **Apr 15, 2010:** On motion that the House agree to the Senate amendment Agreed to by recorded vote: 289 - 112 (Roll no. 211). (text as House agreed to Senate amendment: CR H2615-2616)
- **Apr 15, 2010:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Apr 15, 2010:** Cleared for White House.
- **Apr 15, 2010:** Presented to President.
- **Apr 15, 2010:** Signed by President.
- **Apr 15, 2010:** Became Public Law No: 111-157.
- **Apr 14, 2010:** Considered by Senate. (consideration: CR S2265-2269, S2275-2289)
- **Apr 14, 2010:** Cloture motion on the bill presented in Senate. (consideration: CR S2288; text: CR S2288)
- **Apr 13, 2010:** Motion to proceed to measure considered in Senate. (consideration: CR S2226)
- **Apr 13, 2010:** Motion to proceed to consideration of measure agreed to in Senate by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S2226)
- **Apr 13, 2010:** Measure laid before Senate by motion. (consideration: CR S2226-2235)
- **Apr 12, 2010:** Motion to proceed to measure considered in Senate. (consideration: CR S2191-2202)
- **Apr 12, 2010:** Cloture on the motion to proceed to the bill invoked in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 60 - 34. Record Vote Number: 109. (consideration: CR S2200; text: CR S2200)
- **Mar 25, 2010:** Motion to proceed to consideration of measure made in Senate. (consideration: CR S2099)
- **Mar 25, 2010:** Cloture motion on the motion to proceed to the bill presented in Senate. (consideration: CR S2099; text: CR S2099)
- **Mar 22, 2010:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.
- **Mar 19, 2010:** Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 323.
- **Mar 18, 2010:** Received in the Senate.
- **Mar 18, 2010:** Read the first time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under Read the First Time.
- **Mar 17, 2010:** Mr. McDermott moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Mar 17, 2010:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H1548-1553)
- **Mar 17, 2010:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 4851.
- **Mar 17, 2010:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H1548-1549)
- **Mar 17, 2010:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H1548-1549)
- **Mar 17, 2010:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

Mar 16, 2010: Introduced in House

- **Mar 16, 2010:** Referred to House Ways and Means
- **Mar 16, 2010:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on the Budget, Education and Labor, Energy and Commerce, Financial Services, the Judiciary, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
- **Mar 16, 2010:** Referred to House Budget
- **Mar 16, 2010:** Referred to House Education and Labor
- **Mar 16, 2010:** Referred to House Energy and Commerce
- **Mar 16, 2010:** Referred to House Financial Services
- **Mar 16, 2010:** Referred to House Judiciary
- **Mar 16, 2010:** Referred to House Transportation and Infrastructure
- **Mar 16, 2010:** Referred to House Oversight and Government Reform