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**AMENDMENT OFFERED BY SENATOR CONRAD  
SOCIAL SECURITY AND MEDICARE LOCKBOX**

**Purpose:** To protect Social Security surpluses and reserve a portion of on-budget surpluses for Medicare and debt reduction.

On Page 28, Line 16, strike all through Page 30, Line 18, and insert the following:

**Section 1. CREATION OF SOCIAL SECURITY AND MEDICARE LOCKBOX.**

**SEC. . SAVE SOCIAL SECURITY AND MEDICARE LOCKBOX.**

(a) DEFINITION. — In this section, the term "Social Security and Medicare lockbox" means, with respect to any fiscal year, the amount of the "Social Security surplus" (as defined in section 311(b)(1) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974) and the amount of the "Medicare surplus reserve," which is defined as a minimum of one-third of the on budget surplus as estimated by the Congressional Budget Office using a baseline that adjusts discretionary spending for inflation, in its most recent set of budget projections for each of the three applicable time periods, which are:

- (1) The budget year,
- (2) The budget year plus the subsequent four years,
- (3) The budget year plus the subsequent nine years.

(b) BUDGET RESOLUTION POINT OF ORDER. — It shall not be in order in the Senate to consider any concurrent resolution on the budget (or amendment, motion, or conference report on the resolution) that would decrease the on-budget surplus below the levels of the Medicare surplus reserve, except for legislation that reforms the Medicare program and provides coverage for prescription drugs.

(c) SUBSEQUENT LEGISLATION POINT OF ORDER. — It shall not be in order in the Senate to consider any bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report that together with associated interest costs would decrease the on-budget surplus below the level of the Medicare surplus reserve, except for legislation that reforms the Medicare program and provides coverage for prescription drugs.

(d) SOCIAL SECURITY OFF-BUDGET POINT OF ORDER. — It shall not be in order in the House of Representatives or the Senate to consider a concurrent resolution on the budget (or any amendment thereto or conference report thereon) or any bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report that would violate section 13301 of the Budget Enforcement Act of 1990.

(e) STRENGTHENING SOCIAL SECURITY POINTS OF ORDER. — It shall not be in order in the Senate to consider a concurrent resolution on the budget (or any amendment thereto

or conference report thereon) or any bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report that would (1) decrease Social Security surpluses in any year covered by this resolution below the levels established in this resolution; or (2) amend section 301(i) or 311(a)(3) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to allow Social Security surpluses to be decreased below the levels established in this resolution.

**(f) SUPERMAJORITY WAIVER. —**

(1) **WAIVER.** — This section may be waived or suspended only by the affirmative vote of three-fifths of the Members, duly chosen and sworn.

(2) **APPEALS.** — An affirmative vote of three-fifths of the Members, duly chosen and sworn, shall be required to sustain an appeal of the ruling of the Chair on a point of order raised pursuant to this section.

**Section 2. SENATE PAY-AS-YOU-GO RULE EXTENDED THROUGH 2010.**

Section 207 of H. Con. Res. 68 (the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for fiscal year 2000) shall be amended as follows:

In paragraph (g), strike "2002" and insert "2010."

**Section 3. CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**

The budgetary levels contained in this resolution shall be amended as necessary to carry out the purposes of this amendment.

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