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118TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. _____

To direct the Comptroller General of the United States to carry out a study relating to the resiliency of Social Security and Medicare.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. NUNN of Iowa introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Safeguarding Social
5 Security and Medicare Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds the following:

1 (1) Congress must protect the resiliency and
2 longevity of Social Security and Medicare.

3 (2) 71.7 million people receive Social Security
4 benefits and 66.6 million people receive Medicare
5 benefits.

6 (3) Medicare is critical to our elderly and dis-
7 abled population and their families.

8 (4) Social Security benefits are necessary for
9 our elderly population who already survive on limited
10 budgets.

11 (5) Seniors earn their benefits after contrib-
12 uting their payroll taxes for decades.

13 (6) American workers are contributing with the
14 promise of a financially secure future for themselves
15 and their families.

16 (7) The increased cost of living and record lev-
17 els of inflation continue to put a financial strain on
18 every American, especially those on Social Security
19 and Medicare.

20 (8) It is necessary to carry out a study to un-
21 derstand how cost of living and inflation projections
22 will affect Social Security and Medicare and to pro-
23 vide recommendations to Congress.

1 **SEC. 3. STUDY ON SOCIAL SECURITY AND MEDICARE.**

2 Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment
3 of this Act, the Comptroller General shall conduct a study
4 and submit a report to Congress on the following:

5 (1) The effect of inflation and cost of living in-
6 creases on Medicare and the Old-Age Survivor and
7 Disability Insurance program under title II of the
8 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 401 et seq.).

9 (2) Recommendations on any legislative actions
10 necessary to improve the ability to provide full bene-
11 fits under such programs.