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BENNETT TO HOLD HEARING ON “THE PERFORMANCE AND POTENTIAL OF CONSUMER DRIVEN HEALTH CARE”

Washington, DC—Joint Economic Committee Chairman Robert F. Bennett will host a hearing to explore the development of consumer driven health care. Consumer driven health care allows for greater flexibility in choosing and paying for health care based on a consumer’s own needs and preferences. The hearing will take a look at recent data from providers and employer plans that have been involved in the consumer driven health care market in the last two years and will explore its long term potential.

What: JEC Hearing “The Performance and Potential of Consumer Driven Health Care”

When: Wednesday, February 25, at 10:00 a.m.

Where: Dirksen Senate Office Building, Room 628

Witnesses: Dr. Arnold Milstein, MD, MPH
Medical Director, Pacific Business Group on Health
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Mr. John Bertko, FSA
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