

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1217, AS REPORTED  
OFFERED BY MR. PALLONE OF NEW JERSEY**

At the end of the bill, add the following new section:

**1 SEC. 2. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON PREVENTION OUTCOMES.**

2 It is the sense of the Congress that—

3 (1) according to research published in the  
4 “Journal of the American Medical Association” in  
5 1993, about half of the deaths in this country are  
6 due to preventable causes;

7 (2) according to researchers at the New York  
8 Academy of Medicine, an investment of \$10 per per-  
9 son per year in some proven community-based inter-  
10 ventions can save the country more than \$16 billion  
11 each year—a return of \$5.60 for every dollar in-  
12 vested;

13 (3) according to researchers at the Urban Insti-  
14 tute, some community-based diabetes prevention pro-  
15 grams can save as much as \$191 billion over 10  
16 years; and

17 (4) according to the Centers for Disease Con-  
18 trol and Prevention, chronic diseases consume an es-  
19 timated 75 percent of health care expenditures each  
20 year, cost employers \$1685 for each employee, and

1 cost the Nation \$225.8 billion annually in lost pro-  
2 ductivity.

