

House Concurrent Resolution No. 5013

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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION urging the Congress of the United
States to create a uniform federal drug coverage program.

WHEREAS, The cost of prescription drugs continues to rise; and

WHEREAS, Amounts spent on prescription drugs has increased more
rapidly than spending on other healthcare services with prescription drug
expenditures growing at double digit rates; and

WHEREAS, Amounts spent on prescription drugs has significantly in-
creased due to higher cost of prescription drugs and to increased utili-
zation of prescription drugs; and

WHEREAS, Recent trends show that spending increases on prescrip-
tion drugs will continue and are predicted to accelerate; and

WHEREAS, Prescription drugs are becoming more and more impor-
tant in the treatment of many diseases; and

WHEREAS, More and more Kansas citizens, especially senior citi-
zens, are finding it harder and harder to pay the costs of much needed
prescription or maintenance drugs: Now, therefore;

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas,
the Senate concurring therein:* That the Kansas Legislature urges the
Congress of the United States to create a uniform federal drug coverage
program; and

Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of State is hereby directed
to provided an enrolled copy of this resolution to the President pro tem-
pore of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the United States
House of Representatives and to each member of the Kansas Congres-
sional Delegation.