

**AMENDMENT TO THE CHAIRMAN'S MARK  
OFFERED BY MR. GRAMS**

At the end, add the following new section:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . REDUCTION OF PUBLICLY-HELD DEBT.**

(a) **PURPOSE.**—It is the purpose of this section to ensure that the fiscal year 2000 on-budget surplus is used to reduce publicly-held debt.

(b) **REDUCTION OF PUBLICLY-HELD DEBT.**—

(1) **POINT OF ORDER AGAINST CERTAIN LEGISLATION.**—  
Except as provided by paragraph (2), it shall not be in order in the House of Representatives or the Senate to consider any bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report if—

(A) the enactment of that bill or resolution as reported;

(B) the adoption and enactment of that amendment; or

(C) the enactment of that bill or resolution in the form recommended in that conference report, would cause a decrease in the on-budget surplus for fiscal year 2000.

(2) **EXCEPTION.**—The point of order set forth in paragraph (1) shall not apply to a bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report if it—

(A) reduces revenues;

(B) implements structural social security reform; or

(C) implements structural medicare reform.

(3) **WAIVERS AND APPEALS IN THE SENATE.** —

(A) WAIVERS.—Paragraph (1) may be waived or suspended in the Senate only by the affirmative vote of three-fifths of the Members, duly chosen and sworn.

(B) APPEALS.—(i) Appeals in the Senate from the decisions of the Chair relating to paragraph (1) shall be limited to 1 hour, to be equally divided between, and controlled by, the mover and the manager of the bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report, as the case may be.

(ii) An affirmative vote of three-fifths of the Members, duly chosen and sworn, shall be required in the Senate to sustain an appeal of the ruling of the Chair on a point of order raised under paragraph (1).

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The provisions of this section shall cease to have any force or effect on October 1, 2000.

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*Gen. Request of Nazi*

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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