CBO says Senate health care bill will reduce deficit -- not increase it

Breaking news for The Washington Post

News Alert - http://link.email.washingtonpost.com/r/MEPMRJ/GV4VF/77LRND/GS4GAM/1CH2M/UP/t

04:22 PM EDT Wednesday, October 7, 2009

CBO Says Senate Health-Care Bill Would Reduce Deficit -
http://link.email.washingtonpost.com/r/MEPMRJ/GV4VF/77LRND/GS4GAM/X8UOA/UP/t

A bill drafted by the Senate Finance Committee would cost $829 billion over the next decade, the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office said today, and meet President Obama's goal to reduce the federal budget deficit.

For more information, visit washingtonpost.com -
http://link.email.washingtonpost.com/r/MEPMRJ/GV4VF/77LRND/GS4GAM/1CH24/UP/t
w.washingtonpost.com/wp-srv/interact/longterm/talk/members.htm#privacy?referrer=email

By 5:00 p.m. I had started a search using the phrase "cbo health care." I checked with Tweetvolume, and seemed to be the phrase being used most often.

It looks like this is not going to be a big stream. By 9:15 p.m. only 396 messages had been found. The Washington Post does it again -- they found breaking news that 'no one' is interested in.

The search stopped April 6, 2010 with a total of 7970 messages. The figure shows how they were distributed over time.

The CBO does not figure in many tweets, but the point at which they become most prominent in the messaging is in March when the legislation was being finalized.

The files are cbo health care.xml and cbo health care.txt, which is a tab delimited file that can be read with Excel.

© G. R. Boynton, 2010
April 6, 2010