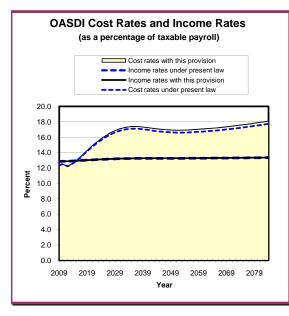
Summary Measures and Graphs Category of Change: Level of Monthly Benefits (PIA)

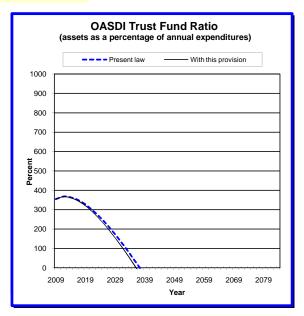
Proposed Provision: Give parents earnings credits for up to five years if they have a child under 6. The earnings credited for a childcare year would be such that the resulting earnings assigned to the parents would equal one half of the Social Security average-wage index -- about \$21,021 in 2009. The credits would be available for all past years to newly eligible retired-worker and disabled-worker beneficiaries in 2010 and later. The 5 most advantageous years would be used if more than 5 childcare credit years are possible; that is, the 5 years that make the biggest difference in indexed earnings.

Present Law		
Long-Range	Annual	
Actuarial	Balance in	
Balance	75th Year	
-2.00%	-4.34%	

Change From Present Law in		
Long-Range	Annual	
Actuarial	Balance in 75th	
Balance	Year	
-0.24%	-0.35%	

Results with this provision		
Long-Range	Annual	
Actuarial	Balance in	
Balance	75th Year	
-2.24%	-4.69%	





Estimates based on the intermediate assumptions of the 2009 Trustees Report

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