

PRESIDENT SIGNS SIDECAR RECONCILIATION FIXER BILL

Early on March 30th, President Obama signed the *Health Care and Education Affordability Reconciliation Act of 2010* (H.R. 4872), the companion reconciliation bill to the *Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act* (H.R. 3590) which was signed into law last week. The President's signature is the final step in the Health Care Reform legislative process that began shortly after Obama took office in 2009.

Together, the two Acts attempt a sweeping overhaul of the health care system that will affect individuals, many employers, insurance carriers and various sectors of the health care industry. USI has prepared a summary and analysis that focuses on the key provisions affecting employers and individuals, "Health Care Reform – What It Will Mean For You", published on March 25, 2010, and available online at <http://www.kpcom.com/newsletters>.

We will closely monitor the development of any guidance and regulations expected in the coming months and will prepare updates on how these measures will affect employers and employee benefit arrangements.

Kibble & Prentice and USI will be offering many opportunities to learn about this important new legislation in the weeks and months to come, beginning with a webinar on Tuesday, April 6th at 3:00PM EST (12:00PM PST). Look for details about this webinar and other opportunities from Kibble & Prentice and USI in the next few days.

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