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WASHINGTON, D.C. – House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Charles B. Rangel (D-NY) issued the following statement today after the House passed a revised bipartisan compromise expanding the State Children’s Health Insurance Program (SCHIP).

“Today, the House of Representatives gave President Bush and his Republican allies in Congress a second chance to do what’s right for the children of this great nation.

“I just hope that reason and compassion will ultimately prevail on the Administration and that they will get out of the way of 10 million children and their pediatricians.

“We’re nearing the end of the line, and when this train stops the only question the American people will ask is, did you stand-up for 10 million children without health care? That’s it. No more, no less.”

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