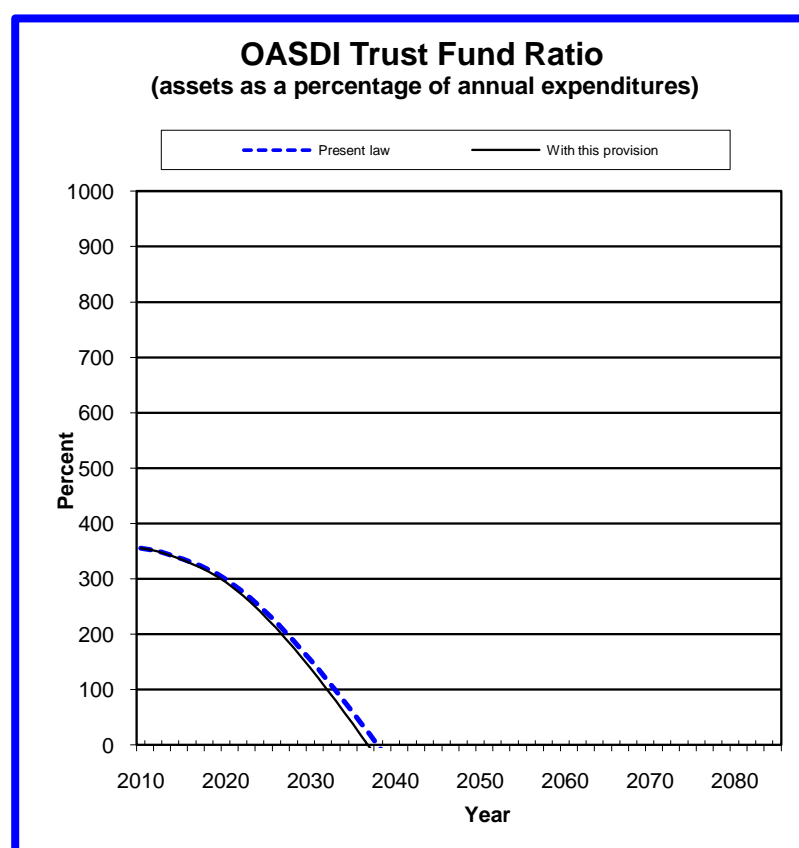
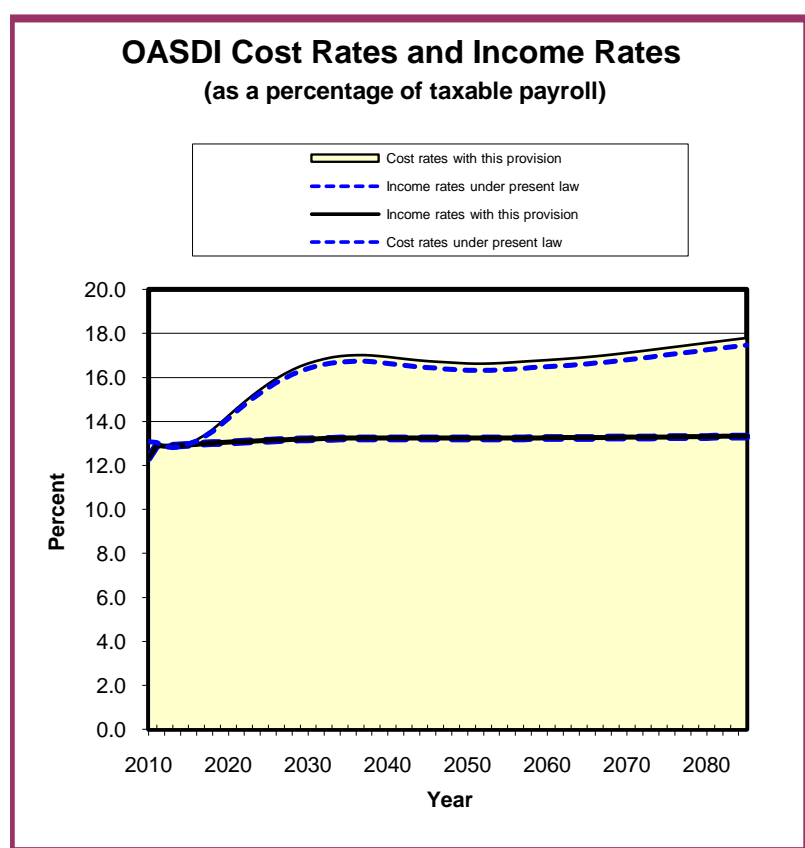


Summary Measures and Graphs

Category of Change: Level of Monthly Benefits (PIA)

Proposed Provision: Beginning in 2011, increase the special minimum benefit by making the following changes: (a) A year of coverage is defined as a year in which 4 quarters of coverage are earned. (b) At implementation, set the PIA for 30 years of coverage equal to 125 percent of the monthly poverty level (about \$1,128 in 2009). The PIA per year of coverage (after the first 10 years) would be $\$1,128/20 = \56.40 . (c) Index the initial PIA per year of coverage by wage growth for successive cohorts, so that the special minimum keeps up with the wage-indexed benefit formula.

<u>Present Law</u>		<u>Change From Present Law in</u>		<u>Results with this provision</u>	
Long-Range Actuarial Balance	Annual Balance in 75th Year	Long-Range Actuarial Balance	Annual Balance in 75th Year	Long-Range Actuarial Balance	Annual Balance in 75th Year
-1.92%	-4.12%	-0.22%	-0.31%	-2.14%	-4.43%



Estimates based on the intermediate assumptions of the 2010 Trustees Report

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