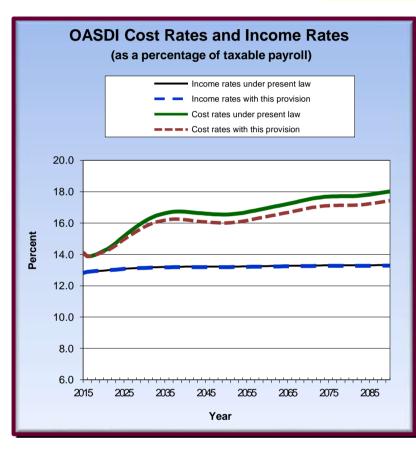
Summary Measures and Graphs Category of Change: Cost-of-Living Adjustment

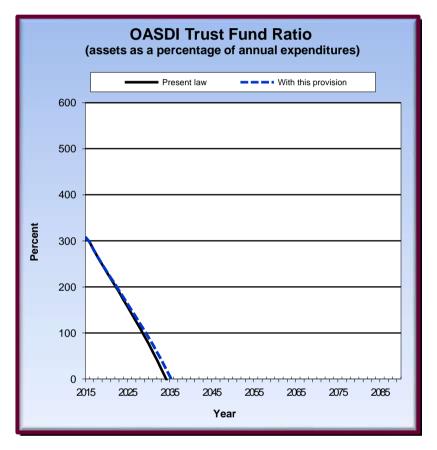
Proposed Provision: Starting December 2018, compute the COLA using a chained version of the consumer price index for wage and salary workers (CPI-W). We estimate this new computation will reduce the annual COLA by about 0.3 percentage point, on average. The new COLA will not apply to DI benefits. It will apply to OASI benefits, except for those of formerly disabled-workers who converted to retired-worker status.

Present Law				
[percent of payroll]				
Long-Range	Annual			
Actuarial	Balance in			
Balance	75th Year			
-2.68	-4.65			

Change From Present Law [percent of payroll]				
Long-Range	Annual			
Actuarial	Balance in			
Balance	75th Year			
0.41	0.56			

Shortfall Eliminated				
Long-Range Annual				
Actuarial	Balance in			
Balance	75th Year			
15%	12%			





Estimates based on the intermediate assumptions of the 2015 Trustees Report

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