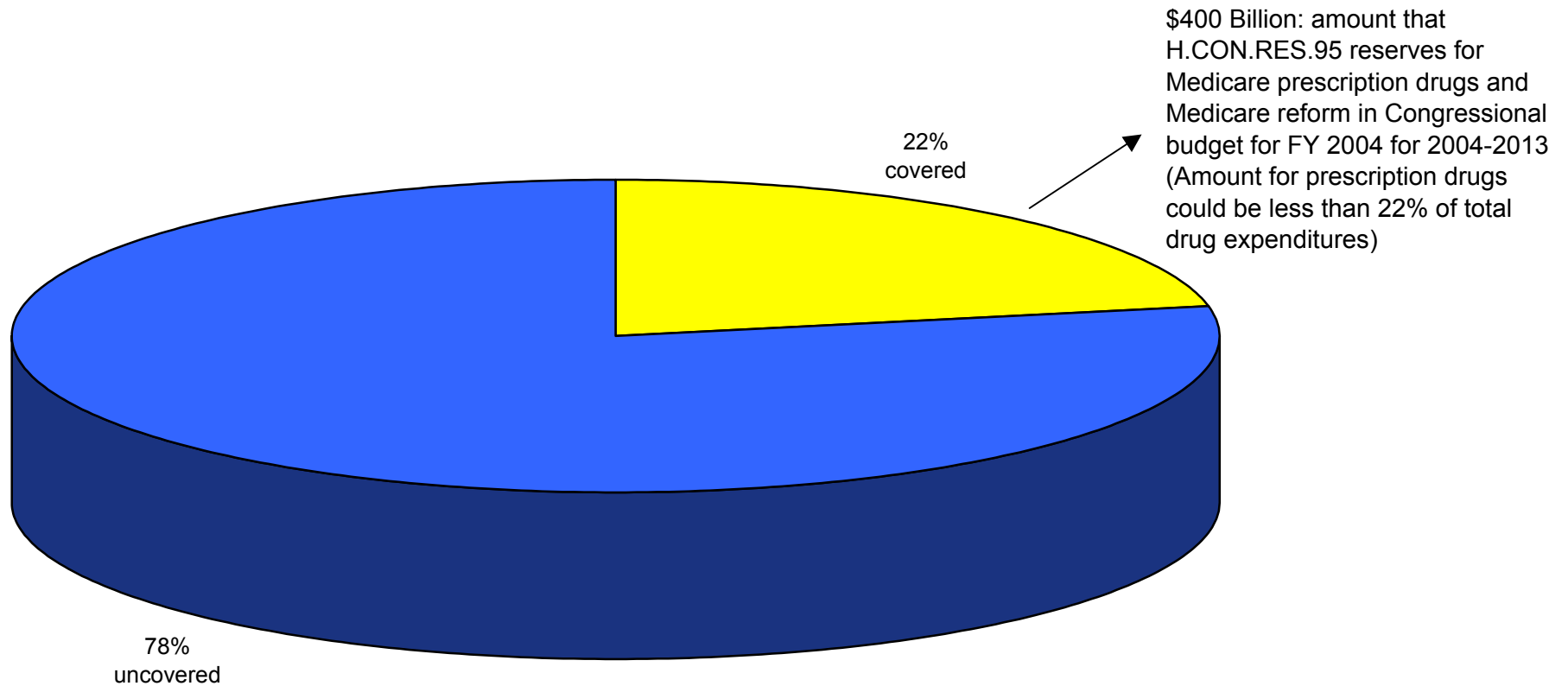


Republican Medicare Prescription Drug Plan: Covering a Small Fraction of the Need



**Total Prescription Drug Expenditures:
\$1.8 Trillion**

CBO projection of spending by Medicare enrollees on prescription drugs, 2004-2013: \$1.839 trillion (Memorandum to Interested Parties, from Tom Bradley, Congressional Budget Office, Projected spending for prescription drugs by and on behalf of Medicare Enrollees, February 3, 2003)