

MEDTRONIC INC
Form 8-K
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**UNITES STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **January 28, 2005**

Medtronic, Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Minnesota
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation)

1-7707
(Commission File Number)

41-0793183
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

710 Medtronic Parkway Minneapolis, Minnesota
(Address of principal executive offices)

55432
(Zip Code)

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code): **(763) 514-4000**

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

(b) On January 28, 2005, Medtronic, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing that Robert L. Ryan, will be retiring as Chief Financial Officer on April 29 2005, the end of the Company s fiscal year. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

(c) The Company also announced in its January 28, 2005 press release that Gary L. Ellis (age 48) would succeed Robert L. Ryan. Since 1999 Mr. Ellis has served as the Company s Vice President, Corporate Controller and Treasurer. Prior to being appointed Treasurer in 1999, Mr. Ellis served as Vice President and Corporate Controller. From 1989 until 1994, Mr. Ellis held other finance and accounting positions at the Company.

Since the beginning of the Company s last fiscal year, there has not been, and there is currently no proposal for, any transaction between the Company and Mr. Ellis of the sort required to be disclosed by Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibits:

Exhibit 99.1 Press release dated January 28, 2005.

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

MEDTRONIC, INC.

By /s/ Terrance L. Carlson

Date: February 1, 2005

Terrance L. Carlson
Senior Vice President, General Counsel
and Corporate Secretary