



## WANT TO REPEAL THE ACA HIT TAX COMPLETELY?

Now you can! On June 13, 2018, Senators John Barrasso (R-WY) and Heidi Heitkamp (D-ND) introduced [S. 3063](#), the Health Insurance Tax Relief Act of 2018, joining [H.R. 5963](#), introduced in May by Representatives Kristi Noem (R-SD) and Kyrsten Sinema (D-AZ), to delay the ACA's [Health Insurance Tax](#) (HIT) for calendar year 2020. These bipartisan bills would extend the moratorium of the HIT that will take effect for 2019, and provide additional time for lawmakers to enact a permanent solution to a tax that is due to add an additional \$500 in premiums per affected family every year.

The tax, dubbed a fee, is assessed on all health insurance companies of insured plans both inside and outside the exchange based on their "net premiums" written. While it is charged to insurers to help pay for the ACA, it is ultimately passed down in the form of increased premiums for small businesses, middle-income families, seniors and young workers, with more than half of the tax paid for by those earning between \$10,000 and \$50,000. Over a 10-year period, this tax is projected to increase premiums for single coverage by an average of \$2,150 and family coverage by an average of \$5,080.

AAHU, along with the [Stop the HIT](#) coalition, has long advocated for permanent repeal of this tax, or short of that, to provide for a temporary delay of the tax until a more comprehensive solution can be enacted. AAHU was a leading advocate of the previous moratoriums, enacted by President Obama for calendar year [2017](#) and by President Trump for calendar year [2019](#). We urge Congress to act quickly to extend the current moratorium for 2020, as action is needed with enough time for insurers and employers to adequately plan and ensure that American families are not impacted by the tax.

Take action today! Contact your Senators and Representative. Send an [Operation Shout](#) today asking your legislators to support S. 3063 and H.R. 5963.

You can help us spread the message by taking action:

- Contact your senators and representative. Send an Operation Shout today asking your legislators to support these employer reporting reforms. You can also call your legislators at the numbers below.
- Tell your employer clients to take action. Your employer clients are the most directly impacted by complying with the employer reporting requirements and would greatly benefit from these reforms. Tell them to take action.
- Share your story. As a licensed insurance specialist who works closely with employers to help them understand and comply with the law's

requirements, stories from your clients about how they are impacted by the requirements will demonstrate the need for these reforms. We will share your stories with appropriate legislators and staff.

Click on this link to TAKE ACTION now!

<http://cqrcengage.com/nahu/app/write-a-letter?0&engagementId=487498>

Thank you,

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