

HR 2114

Health Access and Flexibility Act of 2003

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: House
Policy Area: Taxation
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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (May 21, 2003) **Official Text:** https://www.congress.gov/bill/108th-congress/house-bill/2114

Sponsor

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Cosponsors (9 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Rep. Paul, Ron [R-TX-14]	$R \cdot TX$		May 22, 2003
Rep. Sessions, Pete [R-TX-32]	$R \cdot TX$		May 22, 2003
Rep. Franks, Trent [R-AZ-2]	$R \cdot AZ$		Jun 2, 2003
Rep. Norwood, Charles W. [R-GA-9]	$R \cdot GA$		Jun 2, 2003
Rep. Weldon, Dave [R-FL-15]	$R \cdot FL$		Jun 2, 2003
Rep. Barton, Joe [R-TX-6]	$R \cdot TX$		Jun 11, 2003
Rep. Beauprez, Bob [R-CO-7]	$R \cdot CO$		Jun 11, 2003
Rep. Terry, Lee [R-NE-2]	$R \cdot NE$		Jun 19, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	May 20, 2003
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	May 21, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Taxation

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of May 15, 2003)

Health Access and Flexibility Act of 2003 - Amends the Internal Revenue Code with respect to Archer medical savings accounts to: (1) eliminate such accounts' availability to only self-employed individuals and employees of small employers; (2) repeal the 750,000 limitation on the number of such accounts; (3) reduce the permitted minimum deductibles on qualifying high deductible plans to \$1,000 (single coverage), and \$2,000 (family coverage); (4) increase the monthly (and thus the annual) deduction limitation permitted for account contributions; (5) permit employer and employee contributions to be made to an account; (6) make cost-of-living adjustments applicable to only high deductible plan maximums; and (7) provide for 60-day rollovers from a health flexible spending arrangement to an account.

Amends title XIX of the Social Security Act (Medicaid) to authorize a State to provide alternative medical benefits for eligible population groups which shall consist of at least: (1) coverage for medical expenses in a year after a catastrophic deductible has been met; and (2) contribution into a medical freedom account (as defined by this Act).

Actions Timeline

- May 21, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- May 20, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
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