

## HR 2676

Small Business Health Relief Act of 2011

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Schweikert, David [R-AZ-5]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** AZ • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Franks, Trent [R-AZ-2]	R · AZ		Jul 27, 2011
Rep. Ribble, Reid J. [R-WI-8]	R · WI		Jul 27, 2011
Rep. Duncan, John J., Jr. [R-TN-2]	R · TN		Aug 9, 2011

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 1, 2011
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 1, 2011

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 S 1880	Related bill	<b>Nov 16, 2011:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
112 S 1049	Related bill	<b>May 23, 2011:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S3228-3229)

Small Business Health Relief Act of 2011 - Repeals provisions of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC), as added by the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA), that: (1) impose fines on large employers (employers with more than 50 full-time employees) who fail to offer their full-time employees the opportunity to enroll in minimum essential health insurance coverage; and (2) require such large employers to file a report with the Secretary of the Treasury on health insurance coverage provided to their full-time employees.

Repeals provision of PPACA that: (1) set limits on the annual deductible on health plans offered in the small group market, (2) allow catastrophic plans to be offered in the individual market to individuals under the age of 30, and (3) impose an annual fee on health insurance entities.

Deems high deductible health plans to meet essential health benefits coverage requirements if the enrollee has established a health savings account.

Amends the Public Health Service Act, as amended by PPACA, to repeal a provision that allows a premium rate variance by age in the individual or small group market.

Repeals restrictions on payments for medications from health savings accounts, medical savings accounts, and health flexible spending arrangements to prescription drugs or insulin.

Repeals provisions limiting annual salary reduction contributions by an employee to a health flexible spending arrangement under a cafeteria plan to \$2,500.

Allows a health plan to maintain its status as a grandfathered health plan regardless of any modification to the cost-sharing levels, employer contribution rates, or covered benefits. Requires the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) to promulgate regulations to clarify the application of such provision. Makes this provision effective as if included in PPACA. Voids any regulations promulgated related to such provisions before enactment of this Act.

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## **Actions Timeline**

- **Aug 1, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jul 27, 2011:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 27, 2011:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.