

HR 2499

Tax Parity for Health Plan Beneficiaries Act of 2013

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Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]	D · WA		Apr 2, 2014
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Rep. Davis, Susan A. [D-CA-53]	D · CA		May 2, 2014
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Rep. Heck, Denny [D-WA-10]	D · WA		May 28, 2014
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Rep. Doggett, Lloyd [D-TX-35]	D · TX		Nov 12, 2014

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 23, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Taxation

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 S 728	Identical bill	Apr 15, 2013: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Summary (as of Jun 25, 2013)

Tax Parity for Health Plan Beneficiaries Act of 2013 - Amends the Internal Revenue Code to: (1) exclude from an employee's gross income employer-provided accident and health plan benefits extended to a domestic partner or non-dependent, non-spouse beneficiary eligible to receive such benefits under an employer plan (i.e., "eligible beneficiary"); (2) exempt such benefits paid to eligible beneficiaries from otherwise applicable employment and unemployment taxes; (3) allow self-employed individuals a tax deduction for the health insurance costs of their eligible beneficiaries; (4) allow tax-exempt voluntary employees' beneficiary associations to provide sick and accident benefits to the domestic partners and non-dependent, non-spouse beneficiaries of their members; (5) allow reimbursement of the medical expenses of an eligible beneficiary from a health savings account (HSA); and (6) extend tax-exempt medical benefits to the eligible beneficiaries of retired employees

Directs the Secretary of the Treasury to provide guidance relating to reimbursements from a flexible spending arrangement and a health reimbursement arrangement attributable to an eligible beneficiary as defined by this Act.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 23, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jun 25, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 25, 2013:** Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.