



About the Stop The HIT Coalition

The Stop The HIT Coalition represents the nation's small business owners, their employees, and the self-employed who are actively working to repeal the Health Insurance Tax (HIT) enacted by the Affordable Care Act (ACA). The Stop The HIT Coalition promotes repeal and relief measures to eliminate a tax that disproportionately burdens small businesses and the self-employed.

Why Repeal of the HIT is Important

The small business community has constantly expressed that rising health insurance premiums are their No. 1 concern in growing their business. The HIT directly impacts small business owners by increasing the price they pay for providing health insurance. More than half of the entire tax is paid by those with incomes between \$10,000 – \$50,000. Estimates show the HIT will cost small businesses and families \$5,000 in higher premiums over a decade, and could result in the U.S. workforce being reduced by 152,000 to 286,000 jobs.

In 2018 alone, the HIT cost \$14.3 billion, further driving up premiums for small businesses, middle-income families, seniors and young workers struggling to afford the cost of care.

Repeal Efforts

In 2015, Congress acted to provide relief from the HIT for one-year (2017) and, in January of 2018, Congress came together once again to delay the impact of the HIT for another year (2019). While these important bipartisan actions provided temporary relief, Congress must focus on ways to provide small businesses with much-needed certainty for 2020 and beyond. This can be accomplished by supporting upcoming legislation with provisions to extend HIT relief into 2020.

- **House Bill:** Representatives Kristi Noem (R-SD), Kyrsten Sinema (D-AZ), Ami Bera (D-CA) and Jackie Walorski (R-IN) have introduced “Health Insurance Premium Reduction Act” (H.R. 5963), legislation to suspend the Health Insurance Tax for 2020 and help lower health insurance premiums for small businesses and hard working families.
- **Senate Bill:** Senator John Barrasso (R-WY) introduced (S. 3063), legislation to extend the current suspension of the HIT in place for 2019 into 2020 and provide needed certainty and cost-savings to millions of small business owners over the next two years.

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