

115TH CONGRESS
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S. 43

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permit individuals eligible for Indian Health Service assistance to qualify for health savings accounts.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 5, 2017

Mr. HELLER (for himself and Ms. HEITKAMP) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Native American
5 Health Savings Improvement Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE FOR INDIAN HEALTH SERV-**
 2 **ICE ASSISTANCE NOT DISQUALIFIED FROM**
 3 **HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNTS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 223(c)(1) of the Internal
 5 Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end
 6 the following new subparagraph:

7 “(D) SPECIAL RULE FOR INDIVIDUALS EL-
 8 IGIBLE FOR ASSISTANCE UNDER INDIAN
 9 HEALTH SERVICE PROGRAMS.—For purposes of
 10 subparagraph (A)(ii), an individual shall not be
 11 treated as covered under a health plan de-
 12 scribed in such subparagraph merely because
 13 the individual receives hospital care or medical
 14 services under a medical care program of the
 15 Indian Health Service or of a tribal organiza-
 16 tion.”.

17 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
 18 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
 19 December 31, 2017.

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