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AUTHENTICATED U.S. GOVERNMENT INFORMATION

To waive high deductible health plan requirements for health savings accounts.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 23, 2020

Mr. BUDD (for himself and Mr. ROY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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 "Pandemic Healthcare5 Access Act".

6 SEC. 2. ACCESS TO HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNTS.

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of section 223 of the
8 Internal Revenue Code of 1986, notwithstanding sub9 section (c)(1) thereof, during the coronavirus emergency
10 period, any individual who is covered by any health plan,

including a health plan which is not a high deductible
 health plan, shall be treated as an eligible individual.

3 (b) CONTRIBUTION DEADLINE.—An individual who 4 is treated as an eligible individual for purposes of section 5 223 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 solely by reason of subsection (a) may make contributions to the health 6 7 savings account (as defined in section 223(d) of such 8 Code) of such individual up to the due date for the return 9 of Federal income tax for the taxable year which includes 10 the last day of the coronavirus emergency period.

(c) CORONAVIRUS EMERGENCY PERIOD.—For purposes of this section, the coronavirus emergency period is
the period beginning on March 13, 2020, and ending on
the later of—

(1) the last day on which the declaration of
emergency involving Federal primary responsibility
determined to exist by the President under section
501(b) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and
Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5191(b)) with
respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID19) is in effect, or

(2) the last day on which the declaration of national emergency declared by the President under
the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1601 et

seq.) with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019
 (COVID-19) is in effect.