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S. 2556

To repeal the changes made by the health subtitle of the One Big Beautiful Bill Act, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 30, 2025

Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. WELCH, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. HICKENLOOPER, Mr. KING, Mr. LUJÁN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. REED, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. PETERS, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Ms. WARREN, Mr. WARNER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. KAINE, Mr. SCHIFF, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. COONS, Ms. ALSOBROOKS, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. GALLEGO, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. WARNOCK, Ms. SMITH, Mr. KELLY, Mr. BOOKER, Ms. SLOTKIN, Mr. BENNET, Mr. KIM, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Ms. BLUNT ROCH-ESTER, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. FETTERMAN, Mr. OSSOFF, Ms. HASSAN, and Mr. MURPHY) 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 “Protecting Health Care
5 and Lowering Costs Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. REPEAL OF HEALTH SUBTITLE CHANGES.**

2 Subtitle B of title VII of the Act titled “An Act to
3 provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con.
4 Res. 14” (Public Law 119–21) is repealed and any law
5 or regulation referred to in such subtitle shall be applied
6 as if such subtitle and the amendments made by such sub-
7 title had not been enacted.

8 **SEC. 3. PERMANENT EXTENSION OF ENHANCED TAX CRED-**
9 **IT.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subparagraph (A) of section
11 36B(c)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amend-
12 ed by striking “but does not exceed 400 percent”.

13 (b) APPLICABLE PERCENTAGES.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subparagraph (A) of section
15 36B(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is
16 amended to read as follows:

17 “(A) APPLICABLE PERCENTAGE.—The ap-
18 plicable percentage for any taxable year shall be
19 the percentage such that the applicable percent-
20 age for any taxpayer whose household income is
21 within an income tier specified in the following
22 table shall increase, on a sliding scale in a lin-
23 ear manner, from the initial premium percent-
24 age to the final premium percentage specified in
25 such table for such income tier:

“In the case of household income (expressed as a percent of poverty line) within the following income tier:	The initial premium percentage is—	The final premium percentage is—
Up to 150 percent	0	0
150 percent up to 200 percent	0	2.0
200 percent up to 250 percent	2.0	4.0
250 percent up to 300 percent	4.0	6.0
300 percent up to 400 percent	6.0	8.5
400 percent and higher	8.5	8.5.”.

1 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS RELATING TO
2 AFFORDABILITY OF COVERAGE.—

3 (A) Paragraph (1) of section 36B(c) of
4 such Code is amended by striking subparagraph
5 (E).

6 (B) Subparagraph (C) of section 36B(c)(2)
7 of such Code is amended by striking clause (iv).

8 (C) Paragraph (4) of section 36B(c) of
9 such Code is amended by striking subparagraph
10 (F).

11 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
12 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
13 December 31, 2025.

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