

105TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. 420

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 11, 1997

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

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## 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 “Health Insurance Cost  
5 Tax Equity Act of 1997”.

1 **SEC. 2. FULL DEDUCTION FOR HEALTH INSURANCE COSTS**  
 2 **OF SELF-EMPLOYED INDIVIDUALS.**

3 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—The table contained in section  
 4 162(l)(1)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is  
 5 amended to read as follows:

<b>“For taxable years beginning in calendar year:</b>	<b>The applicable percentage is:</b>
1998 .....	60
1999 .....	80
2000 and thereafter .....	100.”

6 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment made by  
 7 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after  
 8 December 31, 1997.

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