

113TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 3376

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 29, 2013

Mr. LONG (for himself, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. CALVERT, and Mr. BACHUS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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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 “Fairness for Lost Cov-  
5 erage Act of 2013”.

1 **SEC. 2. 12-MONTH EXEMPTION FROM ACA MANDATE FOR**  
2 **INDIVIDUALS WHO LOSE HEALTH PLAN OR**  
3 **INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR THE PLAN YEAR**  
4 **BEGINNING DURING 2014.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provi-  
6 sion of law, in the case of an applicable individual (as de-  
7 fined in subsection (b)), none of the 12 months beginning  
8 with the first month of the loss of coverage described in  
9 subsection (b)(2) shall be taken into account in applying  
10 section 5000A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

11 (b) APPLICABLE INDIVIDUAL DEFINED.—In sub-  
12 section (a), the term “applicable individual” means an in-  
13 dividual who—

14 (1) has coverage (whether as a principal or de-  
15 pendent of another individual) under an employer-  
16 sponsored health plan or individual health insurance  
17 coverage for the last month of a plan year beginning  
18 during 2013; and

19 (2) loses such coverage beginning with the first  
20 month of the subsequent plan year because of the  
21 termination of such plan or insurance coverage and  
22 not because of the termination or change of employ-  
23 ment of the individual or the individual’s failure to  
24 pay premiums or other reasons within the control of  
25 the individual.