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114TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

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To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for coverage by high deductible health plans of medical management of a chronic disease without deductible.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mrs. BLACK (for herself and Mr. BLUMENAUER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

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 “Access to Better Care
5 Act of 2016”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROVISION FOR COVERAGE BY HIGH DEDUCTIBLE**
2 **HEALTH PLANS OF MEDICAL MANAGEMENT**
3 **OF A CHRONIC DISEASE WITHOUT DEDUCT-**
4 **IBLE.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 223(c)(2) of the Internal
6 Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end
7 the following new subparagraph:

8 “(E) SAFE HARBOR FOR ABSENCE OF
9 MEDICAL MANAGEMENT OF A CHRONIC DISEASE
10 DEDUCTIBLE.—

11 “(i) IN GENERAL.—A plan shall not
12 fail to be treated as a high deductible
13 health plan by reason of failing to have a
14 deductible for medical management of a
15 chronic disease.

16 “(ii) DEFINITION OF MEDICAL MAN-
17 AGEMENT OF A CHRONIC DISEASE.—

18 “(I) IN GENERAL.—For purposes
19 of this subparagraph, the term ‘med-
20 ical management of a chronic disease’
21 means, except as otherwise provided
22 by the Secretary, medical care de-
23 scribed in section 213(d)(1)(A) which
24 has the primary purpose of managing
25 a chronic condition or disease by pre-
26 venting the onset of, further deterio-

1 ration from, or complications associ-
2 ated with such chronic condition or
3 disease.

4 “(II) CHRONIC CONDITION OR
5 DISEASE.—The term ‘chronic condi-
6 tion or disease’ means a condition or
7 disease that is expected to last for
8 more than one year, limits what a per-
9 son can do, and requires ongoing
10 medical monitoring.”.

11 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
12 this section shall apply to plan years beginning after the
13 date of the enactment of this Act.