



PARTNERSHIP FOR EMPLOYER-SPONSORED COVERAGE

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The Honorable Mark Warner (VA)
U.S. Senate
703 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Rob Portman (OH)
U.S. Senate
448 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senators Warner and Portman:

As members of the Partnership for Employer-Sponsored Coverage, we write with our endorsement of the Commonsense Reporting Act of 2019 (S. 2366). We are grateful for your leadership on this important effort to bring clarity to the Affordable Care Act's (ACA) tax credit eligibility and employer reporting processes under the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

The information process currently required under Code sections 6055 and 6056 is unnecessarily complex for employers and individuals. S. 2366 provides a pathway whereby data currently reported to the IRS during year-end tax filing season is instead reported during Exchange open enrollment season. The prospective reporting option created under the legislation aids consumers, employers and Exchanges in better navigating the ACA eligibility and reporting process.

S. 2366 provides consumers with help during the annual health coverage open enrollment process, employers with relief from the burdensome reporting requirements, and Exchanges with an additional tool to verify tax credit and subsidy eligibility. The legislation also protects Social Security numbers and modernizes the flow of information to consumers.

Again, thank you for leadership on this critical issue. We look forward to working with you and your colleagues in a bipartisan manner to enact S. 2366.

Sincerely,

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American Staffing Association
American Rental Association
Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc.
Associated General Contractors of America
Auto Care Association
The Council of Insurance Agents and Brokers
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