

# SENATE BILL No. 174

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 6-3-2-27.

**Synopsis:** Tax deduction for health care sharing expenses. Provides that an individual who is an Indiana resident and a member of a health care sharing ministry is entitled to an adjusted gross income tax deduction for a taxable year equal to the total amount of qualified health care sharing expenses paid by the taxpayer during the taxable year.

**Effective:** January 1, 2019.

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January 8, 2018, read first time and referred to Committee on Health and Provider Services.

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Second Regular Session 120th General Assembly (2018)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning taxation.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 6-3-2-27 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
- 2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
- 3 JANUARY 1, 2019]: **Sec. 27. (a) The following definitions apply**
- 4 **throughout this section:**
- 5 (1) **"Health care sharing ministry" has the meaning set forth**
- 6 **in IC 27-1-2.1-1.**
- 7 (2) **"Qualified health care sharing expenses" means:**
- 8 (A) **unreimbursed health care expenses of the members of**
- 9 **a health care sharing ministry; and**
- 10 (B) **administrative expenses of the health care sharing**
- 11 **ministry.**
- 12 (3) **"Qualified individual" means an individual who is:**
- 13 (A) **a resident of Indiana; and**
- 14 (B) **a member of a health care sharing ministry for at least**
- 15 **one (1) month during a taxable year for which the qualified**
- 16 **individual claims a deduction under this section.**
- 17 (b) **Each taxable year, a qualified individual is entitled to a**



1 deduction from the qualified individual's adjusted gross income for  
2 the taxable year equal to the total amount of qualified health care  
3 sharing expenses paid by the qualified individual during the  
4 taxable year.

5 (c) To receive the deduction allowed by this section, a qualified  
6 individual must claim the deduction on the qualified individual's  
7 annual state tax return or returns in the manner prescribed by the  
8 department. The qualified individual shall submit to the  
9 department any information that the department determines is  
10 necessary to calculate the amount of the deduction allowed by this  
11 section.

12 SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2019] (a) IC 6-3-2-27,  
13 as added by this act, applies only to taxable years beginning after  
14 December 31, 2018.

15 (b) This SECTION expires July 1, 2020.

