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Email Subject: Letter to the Editor  
Hi,

I'm submitting the following letter on behalf of the CEO of the National Association of Health Underwriters, Janet Trautwein. Is there any chance you might be able to run it?

Best,  
Kelly

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Dear Editor,

Congress and President Obama deserve credit for changing the Affordable Care Act to allow states to decide what constitutes a "small business" in their health insurance markets ("Bipartisan Obamacare fix aids small business," Oct. 15). This move will save businesses and workers a significant amount of money.

For years, small businesses have been defined as those with 50 or fewer employees. The Affordable Care Act would have expanded that definition to include those with 100 or fewer employees. That would have increased premiums for two-thirds of these mid-sized firms by an average of 18 percent. Some would have seen premiums rise by as much as 35 percent.<sup>1</sup>

Fortunately, Congress and the president have warded off that outcome -- and thousands of mid-sized firms will be able to continue offering their employees affordable, comprehensive coverage.

Sincerely,

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.uschamber.com/press-release/us-chamber-applauds-bipartisan-cooperation-between-congress-and-white-house-key>