

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO H.R. 954
OFFERED BY MR. BRADY OF TEXAS**

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the “CO-OP Consumer Pro-
3 tection Act of 2016”.

**4 SEC. 2. EXEMPTION FROM INDIVIDUAL MANDATE FOR CER-
5 TAIN INDIVIDUALS WHO HAD COVERAGE
6 UNDER A TERMINATED HEALTH PLAN FUND-
7 ED THROUGH THE CONSUMER OPERATED
8 AND ORIENTED PLAN (CO-OP) PROGRAM.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 5000A(e) of the Internal
10 Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end
11 the following new paragraph:

12 “(6) CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS PREVIOUSLY EN-
13 ROLLED IN HEALTH PLANS FUNDED THROUGH THE
14 CONSUMER OPERATED AND ORIENTED PLAN (CO-OP)
15 PROGRAM.—Any applicable individual for any month
16 if—

17 “(A) such individual was enrolled in min-
18 imum essential coverage offered by a qualified

1 nonprofit health insurance issuer (as defined in
2 subsection (e) of section 1322 of the Patient
3 Protection and Affordable Care Act (42 U.S.C.
4 18042)) receiving funds with respect to such
5 coverage through the Consumer Operated and
6 Oriented Plan program established under such
7 section,

8 “(B) such issuer terminated such coverage
9 in the area in which the individual resides dur-
10 ing the calendar year which includes such
11 month, and

12 “(C) such month ends after the date on
13 which such coverage was so terminated.”.

14 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment made by
15 subsection (a) shall apply with respect to months begin-
16 ning after December 31, 2013.

