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H. R. 384

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify employer-provided fringe benefits for bicycle commuting.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. Blumenauer (for himself, Mr. Buchanan, and Ms. Pressley) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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 "Bicycle Commuter Act
- 5 of 2021".
- 6 SEC. 2. MODIFICATION OF EMPLOYER-PROVIDED FRINGE
- 7 BENEFITS FOR BICYCLE COMMUTING.
- 8 (a) Repeal of Suspension of Exclusion for
- 9 QUALIFIED BICYCLE COMMUTING REIMBURSEMENT.—

Section 132(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is 1 2 amended by striking paragraph (8). 3 (b) Commuting Fringe Includes Bikeshare.— 4 (1)IN GENERAL.—Clause (i) of section 5 132(f)(5)(F) of such Code is amended by striking "a 6 bicycle" and all that follows and inserting 7 "bikeshare, a bicycle, and bicycle improvements, re-8 pair, and storage, if the employee regularly uses 9 such bikeshare or bicycle for travel between the em-10 ployee's residence and place of employment or mass 11 transit facility that connects an employee to their 12 place of employment.". 13 (2) Bikeshare.—Section 132(f)(5)(F) of such 14 Code is amended by adding at the end the following: BIKESHARE.—The 15 "(iv) term 16 'bikeshare' means a bicycle rental oper-17 ation at which bicycles are made available 18 to customers to pick up and drop off for 19 point-to-point use within a defined geo-20 graphic area.". 21 (c) Low-Speed ELECTRIC BICYCLES.—Section 22 132(f)(5)(F) of such Code, as amended by subsection 23 (b)(2), is amended by adding at the end the following: 24 Low-speed ELECTRIC BICY-25 CLES.—The term 'bicycle' includes a twoor three-wheeled vehicle with fully operable
pedals and an electric motor of less than
750 watts (1 h.p.), whose maximum speed
on a paved level surface, when powered
solely by such a motor while ridden by an
operator who weighs 170 pounds, is less
than 20 mph.".

8 (d) Modification Relating to Bicycle Com-9 muting Month.—Clause (iii) of section 132(f)(5)(F) of 10 such Code is amended to read as follows:

11 "(iii) QUALIFIED **BICYCLE** COM-MUTING MONTH.—The term 'qualified bi-12 13 cycle commuting month' means, with re-14 spect to any employee, any month during 15 which such employee regularly uses a bicy-16 cle for a portion of the travel between the 17 employee's residence and place of employ-18 ment.".

(e) Limitation on Exclusion.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subparagraph (C) of section 132(f)(2) of such Code is amended by striking "applicable annual limitation" and inserting "applicable monthly limitation".

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1	(2) Applicable monthly limitation de-
2	FINED.—Clause (ii) of section 132(f)(5)(F) of such
3	Code is amended to read as follows:
4	"(ii) Applicable monthly limita-
5	TION.—The term 'applicable monthly limi-
6	tation', with respect to any employee for
7	any month, means an amount equal to 30
8	percent of the dollar amount in effect for
9	the month under paragraph (2)(B).".
10	(3) Aggregate Limitation.—Subparagraph
11	(B) of section 132(f)(2) of such Code is amended by
12	inserting "and the applicable monthly limitation in
13	the case of any qualified bicycle commuting benefit".
14	(f) No Constructive Receipt.—Paragraph (4) of
15	section 132(f) of such Code is amended by striking "(other
16	than a qualified bicycle commuting reimbursement)".
17	(g) Conforming Amendments.—Paragraphs
18	(1)(D), (2)(C), and (5)(F) of section 132(f) of such Code
19	are each amended by striking "reimbursement" each place
20	it appears and inserting "benefit".
21	(h) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
22	this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
23	December 31, 2021.