

Repeal The Medical Device Excise Tax

The moratorium on enforcement of the medical device tax expires on December 31, 2019. Congress must act before the end of the year to repeal this harmful tax. To that end, the Dental Trade Alliance asks you to act today and contact your elected members of Congress.

The **Protect Medical Innovation Act (H.R.2207/S.692)** was introduced by Rep. Ron Kind (D-WI) in the U.S. House of Representatives and by Senator Pat Toomey (R-PA) in the U.S. Senate. H.R.2207 has 246 cosponsors in the House and S.692 has 35 cosponsors in the Senate as of today. Use these links to determine if your member is a sponsor or not:

- H.R.2207 Co-Sponsors
- S.692 Co-Sponsors

The 2.3% medical device tax imposed by the Affordable Care Act (ACA; P.L. 111-148) in 2010 was one of several additional revenue-raising provisions to finance health reform. This tax, which was to take effect in January 2013, was projected to collect approximately \$38 billion of excise tax revenues over the next 10 years. Given that this tax applies to revenues, not profits, it is extremely punitive to medical and dental technology innovators.

Since the inception of the medical device tax, there has been growing bipartisan support to end this tax on innovation and it has been suspended multiple times by Congress. Perhaps most concerning, the short-term suspensions limit the ability of companies to make longer-term investments in new technologies and treatments without the certainty of a full repeal.

Contact Your Member Of Congress

How do I obtain contact information for my member of Congress? Each member of Congress has a website where their contact information is listed. You may also complete their contact form that can be completed to communicate your issues.

Talking Points for DTA Members: The provided text is a template for you to use when communicating to your member of Congress. Additional information about how the medical device tax has impacted your business is very important for your member of Congress to hear.

My Member Of Congress Is NOT Currently A Co-Sponsor

As a member of the Dental Trade Alliance, I am a strong supporter of the **Protect Medical Innovation Act (H.R.2207/S.692)** and I urge ______ to cosponsor the bills that have been introduced in the House and Senate. This legislation enjoys broad bipartisan support in both the House and Senate.

I ask you to strongly urge House and Senate leaders to take up this legislation to repeal the medical device excise tax before the end of the year as the current moratorium on enforcement of the tax expires December 31, 2019.

On January 22, 2018, Congress suspended the medical device excise tax for two years. While this was a positive step forward, dental manufacturers continue to support full repeal of this harmful tax.

If this tax is not fully repealed, it will continue to force companies to make difficult decisions on whether to invest in manufacturing operations, research and development, and other important investments in communities across the United States. It will also increase the cost of medical and dental devices for millions of American citizens.

My Member Of Congress Is Already A Co-Sponsor

Thank you for your support as a co-sponsor of the **Protect Medical Innovation Act (H.R.2207/S.692).** Additionally, I ask you to strongly urge House and Senate leaders to take up this legislation to repeal the medical device excise tax before the end of the year as the current moratorium on enforcement of the tax expires December 31, 2019.

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Thank you for your commitment on behalf of the dental industry. Many voices can make a difference at a very crucial time.

My best,

Gary W. Price
President and CEO