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Please establish and apply a geographical differential equation for high cost states such as Alaska when implementing the excise tax thresholds. The cost of health care for Alaskans is higher than for people in any other state. In Alaska, the total premium cost for single coverage in 2013 was 32 percent higher than the U.S. average; for employee-plus-one coverage, Alaska's average cost was 35 percent higher than the U.S. average; and for family coverage, Alaska's cost was 29 percent higher than the national average

Sincerely, Rosemary Painter