H. R. 2582

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 28, 2013

Mr. HONDA (for himself, Ms. LOFGREN, and Ms. ESHOO) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Budget

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 “Patents and Trademarks Encourage New Technology Jobs Act” or the

5  “PATENT Jobs Act”.

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SEC. 2. TERMINATION OF SEQUESTRATION IN FISCAL YEAR 2013 FOR THE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE.

Notwithstanding the Presidential order issued on March 1, 2013, under section 251A of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C. 901a), on and after the date of the enactment of this Act, the budgetary resources sequestered under such order with respect to the United States Patent and Trademark Office shall be available for obligation for the same purpose and in the same manner as if such order had not been issued.


(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 255(g)(1)(A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act is amended by adding at the end the following:

“"The United States Patent and Trademark Office (13–1006–0–1–376).".”

(b) APPLICATION.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall apply to any sequestration order issued by the President under section 254 of such Act.