

119TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 4840

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 1, 2025

Ms. CHU (for herself and Ms. MALLIOTAKIS) introduced the following bill;  
which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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## A BILL

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the ability to expense certain qualified productions.

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 “Creative Relief and  
5       Expensing for Artistic Entertainment Act” or the “CRE-  
6       ATE Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. ADJUSTMENT OF PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO**  
 2 **QUALIFIED PRODUCTIONS.**

3 (a) DOLLAR LIMITATIONS.—Section 181(a)(2) of the  
 4 Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended by section  
 5 70434 of Public Law 119–21, is amended—

6 (1) in subparagraph (A), by striking  
 7 “\$15,000,000” and inserting “\$30,000,000”,

8 (2) in subparagraph (B), by striking “by sub-  
 9 stituting ‘\$20,000,000’ for ‘\$15,000,000’.” and in-  
 10 serting “by substituting ‘\$40,000,000’ for  
 11 ‘\$30,000,000’.”, and

12 (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
 13 paragraph:

14 “(D) INFLATION ADJUSTMENT.—

15 “(i) IN GENERAL.—In the case of any  
 16 taxable year beginning in a calendar year  
 17 after 2026, each dollar amount in subpara-  
 18 graphs (A), (B), and (C) shall be increased  
 19 by an amount equal to—

20 “(I) such dollar amount, multi-  
 21 plied by

22 “(II) the cost-of-living adjust-  
 23 ment determined under section 1(f)(3)  
 24 for the calendar year in which the tax-  
 25 able year begins, determined by sub-  
 26 stituting ‘calendar year 2025’ for ‘cal-

1                   endar year 2016’ in subparagraph  
2                   (A)(ii) thereof.

3                   “(ii) ROUNDING.—Any increase deter-  
4                   mined under clause (i) shall be rounded to  
5                   the nearest multiple of \$1,000.”.

6           (b) EXTENSION OF TERMINATION.—Subsection (h)  
7 of section 181 of such Code, as redesignated and amended  
8 by section 70434 of Public Law 119–21, is amended by  
9 striking “December 31, 2025” and inserting “December  
10 31, 2030”.

11          (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
12 this section shall apply to productions commencing in tax-  
13 able years ending after December 31, 2025.

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