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# H. R. 8959

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify the application of the advanced manufacturing investment credit with respect to semiconductor manufacturing facilities located in outer space.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BUCHANAN (for himself, Ms. SEWELL, and Ms. DELBENE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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## 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 “Semiconductor Superi-  
5       ority Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. CLARIFYING APPLICATION OF ADVANCED MANU-**  
 2 **FACTURING INVESTMENT CREDIT FOR SEMI-**  
 3 **CONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING FACILITIES**  
 4 **LOCATED IN OUTER SPACE.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 48D(b) of the Internal  
 6 Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end  
 7 the following new paragraph:

8 “(6) APPLICATION TO FACILITIES LOCATED IN  
 9 OUTER SPACE.—

10 “(A) IN GENERAL.—In the case of an ad-  
 11 vanced manufacturing facility which is located  
 12 in outer space—

13 “(i) for purposes of paragraph (1),  
 14 qualified property shall not fail to be treat-  
 15 ed as part of such facility solely because  
 16 such qualified property is—

17 “(I) used to transport crew,  
 18 goods, equipment, material, or sup-  
 19 plies in outer space to and from such  
 20 facility, or

21 “(II) not located in outer space,  
 22 and

23 “(ii) for purposes of paragraph (2)—

24 “(I) property shall not fail to be  
 25 treated as qualified property solely be-

1 cause such property is located in outer  
2 space,

3 “(II) with respect to subpara-  
4 graph (A)(iv), property shall not fail  
5 to be treated as integral to the oper-  
6 ation of such facility solely because  
7 such property is—

8 “(aa) used in the manner  
9 described in clause (i)(I), or

10 “(bb) not located in outer  
11 space, and

12 “(III) with respect to subpara-  
13 graph (B)(ii), functions related to  
14 manufacturing shall include—

15 “(aa) flight control oper-  
16 ations,

17 “(bb) crew habitation in  
18 outer space,

19 “(cc) repair of the facility,  
20 and

21 “(dd) transportation of  
22 crew, goods, equipment, material,  
23 or supplies to and from the facil-  
24 ity.

1           “(B) OUTER SPACE.—For purposes of this  
2 paragraph, the term ‘outer space’ shall include  
3 low-Earth orbit.

4           “(C) EXCLUSION.—For purposes of this  
5 subsection, the term ‘qualified property’ shall  
6 not include a rocket or similar launch vehicle  
7 constructed for the purpose of propelling a pay-  
8 load from Earth into outer space.”.

9       (b) OTHER SPECIAL RULES.—Section 50(b) of the  
10 Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended—

11           (1) in paragraph (1)(B), by inserting “or any  
12 qualified property which is part of an advanced man-  
13 ufacturing facility located in outer space (as such  
14 terms are defined under section 48D(b)) and held by  
15 a United States person if such property was  
16 launched from within the United States” after “sec-  
17 tion 168(g)(4)”, and

18           (2) in paragraph (2)—

19               (A) in subparagraph (C), by striking  
20 “and” at the end,

21               (B) in subparagraph (D), by striking the  
22 period at the end and inserting “; and”, and

23               (C) by adding at the end the following new  
24 subparagraph:

1                   “(E) any qualified property which is part  
2                   of an advanced manufacturing facility located  
3                   in outer space (as such terms are defined under  
4                   section 48D(b)).”.

5           (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
6 this section shall apply to property placed in service after  
7 the date of enactment of this Act.

8           (d) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this Act,  
9 or the amendments made by this Act, shall be construed  
10 to create any inference with respect to the allowance or  
11 determination of the advanced manufacturing investment  
12 credit under section 48D of the Internal Revenue Code  
13 of 1986 with respect to an advanced manufacturing facil-  
14 ity located in outer space on or before the date of the en-  
15 actment of this Act.

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