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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 7, 1997

Mr. Ehlers introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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,

| 1 | SECTION 1. EXCEPTION FROM PERCENTAGE OF COMPLE- |
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| 2 | TION METHOD FOR CERTAIN MANUFACTUR- |
| 3 | ING CONTRACTS. |
| 4 | (a) In General.—Paragraph (2) of section 460(f) |
| 5 | of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to special |
| 6 | rule for manufacturing contracts) is amended by striking |
| 7 | "unless" and all that follows and inserting "unless— |
| 8 | "(A) such a contract involves the manufac- |
| 9 | ture of— |
| 10 | "(i) any unique item of a type which |
| 11 | is not normally included in the finished |
| 12 | goods inventory of the taxpayer, or |
| 13 | "(ii) any item which normally requires |
| 14 | more than 12 calendar months to complete |
| 15 | (without regard to the period of the con- |
| 16 | tract), and |
| 17 | "(B) any payment for the manufacture of |
| 18 | such item is required to be made before the |
| 19 | manufacture of such item is completed." |
| 20 | (b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by |
| 21 | subsection (a) shall apply to contracts entered into after |
| 22 | the date of the enactment of this Act. |