

105TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 244

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the increase in the tax on social security benefits.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 30, 1997

Mr. MCCAIN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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 “Senior Citizens’ Equity
5 Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. REPEAL OF INCREASE IN TAX ON SOCIAL SECURITY**
7 **BENEFITS.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (a) of section 86 of the
9 Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to social security

1 and tier 1 railroad retirement benefits) is amended by
 2 adding at the end the following new paragraph:

3 “(3) PHASEOUT OF ADDITIONAL AMOUNT.—In
 4 the case of any taxable year beginning in a calendar
 5 year after 1996 and before 2001, paragraph (2)
 6 shall be applied by substituting the percentage deter-
 7 mined under the following table for ‘85 percent’ each
 8 place it appears:

**“In the case of a taxable
 year beginning in cal-
 endar year:**

The percentage is:

1997	75 percent
1998	65 percent
1999	60 percent
2000	55 percent.”

9 (b) TERMINATION OF ADDITIONAL AMOUNT.—Para-
 10 graph (2) of section 86(a) of such Code is amended by
 11 adding at the end the following new flush sentence:

12 “‘This paragraph shall not apply to any taxable year
 13 beginning after December 31, 2000.’”

14 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
 15 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
 16 December 31, 1996.

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