S. 2090

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to impose a 1 year moratorium on certain diesel fuel excise taxes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

February 24, 2000

Mr. Campbell (for himself, Mr. Lott, Mr. Daschle, Mr. Craig, Mr. Bunning, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Conrad, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Kerrey, and Mr. Gregg) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

A BILL

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to impose a 1 year moratorium on certain diesel fuel excise taxes.

- 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 "America's Transpor-
- 5 tation Recovery Act of 2000".

1	SEC. 2. 1 YEAR MORATORIUM ON CERTAIN DIESEL FUEL
2	EXCISE TAXES.
3	(a) In General.—Section 4081(d) of the Internal
4	Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to termination) is
5	amended—
6	(1) by redesignating paragraphs (2) and (3) as
7	paragraphs (3) and (4), respectively,
8	(2) by inserting after paragraph (1) the fol-
9	lowing new paragraph:
10	"(2) DIESEL FUEL.—The rate of tax specified
11	in subsection (a)(2)(A)(iii) with respect to diesel fuel
12	shall be—
13	"(A) zero during the 1 year period begin-
14	ning on the date of the enactment of this para-
15	graph, and
16	"(B) 4.3 cents per gallon after September
17	30, 2005.", and
18	(3) by striking "clauses (i) and (iii) of sub-
19	section $(a)(2)(A)$ " in paragraph (1) and inserting
20	"subsections $(a)(2)(A)(i)$ and $(a)(2)(A)(iii)$ with re-
21	spect to kerosene".
22	(b) Conforming Amendments.—
23	(1) Subclause (I) of section $4041(a)(1)(C)(iii)$
24	of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to
25	rate of tax on certain buses) is amended by striking
26	"shall be 7.3 cents per gallon (4.3 cents per gallon

1	after September 30, 2005)." and inserting "shall
2	be—
3	"(aa) zero during the 1 year
4	period beginning on the date of
5	the enactment of the American
6	Transportation Recovery Act of
7	2000,
8	"(bb) 7.3 cents per gallon
9	after the end of the 1 year period
10	under item (aa), and before Octo-
11	ber 1, 2005, and
12	"(cc) 4.3 cents per gallon
13	after September 30, 2005.".
14	(2) Section 4081(c)(6) of such Code is amended
15	by inserting "(other than paragraph (5))" after
16	"subsection".
17	(3) Section 6412(a)(1) of such Code is
18	amended—
19	(A) by inserting "(the date of the enact-
20	ment of the American Transportation Recovery
21	Act of 2000, in the case of diesel fuel)" after
22	"October 1, 2005" both places it appears,
23	(B) by inserting "(the date which is 6
24	months after the date of the enactment of such

- 1 Act, in the case of diesel fuel) after "March 31, 2 2006" both places it appears, and
- 3 (C) by inserting "(the date which is 3
 4 months after the date of the enactment of such
 5 Act, in the case of diesel fuel) after "January
 6 1, 2006".
 - (4) Section 6427(f)(4) of such Code is amended by inserting "(during the 1 year period beginning on the date of the enactment of the American Transportation Recovery Act of 2000, in the case of diesel fuel)" after "September 30, 2007".

(c) Effective Date.—

- (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), the amendments made by this section shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this section.
- (2) Decrease in crude oil prices.—If the Secretary of Treasury determines that the average refiner acquisition costs for crude oil are equal to or less than such costs were on December 31, 1999, the amendments made by this section shall cease to take effect and the Internal Revenue Code shall be administered as if such amendments did not take effect.