

107TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3083

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restore the 80 percent deduction for meals and entertainment expenses.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 10, 2001

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Meal Tax Reduction
5 Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. INCREASED DEDUCTION FOR MEALS AND ENTER-
7 TAINMENT EXPENSES.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (1) of section 274(n)
9 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to only
10 50 percent of meal and entertainment expenses allowed

1 as deduction) is amended by striking “50 percent” and
2 inserting “80 percent”.

3 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

4 (1) Paragraph (3) of section 274(n) of such
5 Code is hereby repealed.

6 (2) The heading for subsection (n) of section
7 274 of such Code is amended by striking “50 PER-
8 CENT” and inserting “80 PERCENT”.

9 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
10 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
11 December 31, 2001.

