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To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief, and
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Mr. DASCHLE (for himself, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. REID, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. KERRY, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. DODD, and Mr. CONRAD) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

A BILL

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tax relief, and for other purposes.

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; ETC.**

4 (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This Act may be cited as the
5 “Working Family Tax Relief Act of 2001”.

6 (b) **AMENDMENT OF 1986 CODE.**—Except as other-
7 wise expressly provided, whenever in this Act an amend-
8 ment or repeal is expressed in terms of an amendment
9 to, or repeal of, a section or other provision, the reference

1 shall be considered to be made to a section or other provi-
 2 sion of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

3 (c) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for
 4 this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; etc.

TITLE I—MARRIAGE PENALTY TAX RELIEF

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Sec. 202. Increase in qualified family-owned business interest deduction amount.

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Sec. 402. Minimum credit allowed for stay-at-home parents.

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Sec. 501. Long-term care tax credit.

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Sec. 601. Increased earned income tax credit for 2 or more qualifying children.

Sec. 602. Simplification of definition of earned income.

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Sec. 701. Deduction for health insurance costs of self-employed individuals increased.

TITLE VIII—TAX RELIEF FOR EXPANDING PENSION AVAILABILITY

Sec. 801. Nonrefundable credit to certain individuals for elective deferrals and IRA contributions.

Sec. 802. Credit for qualified pension plan contributions of small employers.

Sec. 803. Credit for pension plan startup costs of small employers.

TITLE IX—TAX RELIEF FOR ADOPTIVE PARENTS

Sec. 901. Expansion of adoption credit.

1 **TITLE I—MARRIAGE PENALTY**
 2 **TAX RELIEF**

3 **SEC. 101. OPTIONAL SEPARATE CALCULATIONS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subpart B of part II of sub-
 5 chapter A of chapter 61 (relating to income tax returns)
 6 is amended by inserting after section 6013 the following
 7 new section:

8 **“SEC. 6013A. COMBINED RETURN WITH SEPARATE RATES.**

9 “(a) GENERAL RULE.—A husband and wife may
 10 make a combined return of income taxes under subtitle
 11 A under which—

12 “(1) a separate taxable income is determined
 13 for each spouse by applying the rules provided in
 14 this section, and

15 “(2) the tax imposed by section 1 is the aggre-
 16 gate amount resulting from applying the separate
 17 rates set forth in section 1(c) to each such taxable
 18 income.

19 “(b) TREATMENT OF INCOME.—For purposes of this
 20 section—

21 “(1) earned income (within the meaning of sec-
 22 tion 911(d)), and any income received as a pension
 23 or annuity which arises from an employer-employee

1 relationship, shall be treated as the income of the
2 spouse who rendered the services,

3 “(2) income from property shall be divided be-
4 tween the spouses in accordance with their respec-
5 tive ownership rights in such property (equally in
6 the case of property held jointly by the spouses), and

7 “(3) any exclusion from income shall be allow-
8 able to the spouse with respect to whom the income
9 would be otherwise includible.

10 “(c) TREATMENT OF DEDUCTIONS.—For purposes of
11 this section—

12 “(1) except as otherwise provided in this sub-
13 section, the deductions described in section 62(a)
14 shall be allowed to the spouse treated as having the
15 income to which such deductions relate,

16 “(2) the deductions allowable by section 151(b)
17 (relating to personal exemptions for taxpayer and
18 spouse) shall be determined by allocating 1 personal
19 exemption to each spouse,

20 “(3) section 63 shall be applied as if such
21 spouses were not married, except that the election
22 whether or not to itemize deductions shall be made
23 jointly by both spouses and apply to each, and

1 “(4) each spouse’s share of all other deductions
2 shall be determined by multiplying the aggregate
3 amount thereof by the fraction—

4 “(A) the numerator of which is such
5 spouse’s gross income, and

6 “(B) the denominator of which is the com-
7 bined gross incomes of the 2 spouses.

8 Any fraction determined under paragraph (4) shall be
9 rounded to the nearest percentage point.

10 “(d) TREATMENT OF CREDITS.—For purposes of this
11 section—

12 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
13 graph (2), each spouse’s share of credits allowed to
14 both spouses shall be determined by multiplying the
15 aggregate amount of the credits by the fraction de-
16 termined under subsection (c)(4).

17 “(2) EARNED INCOME CREDIT.—The earned in-
18 come credit under section 32 shall be determined as
19 if each spouse were a separate taxpayer, except
20 that—

21 “(A) the earned income and the modified
22 adjusted gross income of each spouse shall be
23 determined under the rules of subsections (b),
24 (c), and (e), and

1 “(B) qualifying children shall be allocated
 2 between spouses proportionate to the earned in-
 3 come of each spouse (rounded to the nearest
 4 whole number).

5 “(e) SPECIAL RULES REGARDING INCOME LIMITA-
 6 TIONS.—

7 “(1) EXCLUSIONS AND DEDUCTIONS.—For pur-
 8 poses of making a determination under subsection
 9 (b) or (c), any eligibility limitation with respect to
 10 each spouse shall be determined by taking into ac-
 11 count the limitation applicable to a single individual.

12 “(2) CREDITS.—For purposes of making a de-
 13 termination under subsection (d)(1), in no event
 14 shall an eligibility limitation for any credit allowable
 15 to both spouses be less than twice such limitation
 16 applicable to a single individual.

17 “(f) SPECIAL RULES FOR ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM
 18 TAX.—If a husband and wife elect the application of this
 19 section—

20 “(1) the tax imposed by section 55 shall be
 21 computed separately for each spouse, and

22 “(2) for purposes of applying section 55—

23 “(A) the rules under this section for allo-
 24 cating items of income, deduction, and credit
 25 shall apply, and

1 “(B) the exemption amount for each
 2 spouse shall be the amount determined under
 3 section 55(d)(1)(B).

4 “(g) TREATMENT AS JOINT RETURN.—Except as
 5 otherwise provided in this section or in the regulations
 6 prescribed hereunder, for purposes of this title (other than
 7 sections 1 and 63(c)) a combined return under this section
 8 shall be treated as a joint return.

9 “(h) LIMITATIONS.—

10 “(1) PHASE-IN OF BENEFIT.—

11 “(A) IN GENERAL.—In the case of any
 12 taxable year beginning before January 1, 2005,
 13 the tax imposed by section 1 or 55 shall in no
 14 event be less than the sum of—

15 “(i) the tax determined after the ap-
 16 plication of this section, plus

17 “(ii) the applicable percentage of the
 18 excess of—

19 “(I) the tax determined without
 20 the application of this section, over

21 “(II) the amount determined
 22 under clause (i).

23 “(B) APPLICABLE PERCENTAGE.—For
 24 purposes of subparagraph (A), the applicable

1 percentage shall be determined in accordance
 2 with the following table:

“For taxable years beginning in:	The applicable percentage is:
2003	50
2004	10.

3 “(2) LIMITATION OF BENEFIT BASED ON COM-
 4 BINED ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME.—With respect to
 5 spouses electing the treatment of this section for any
 6 taxable year, the tax under section 1 or 55 shall be
 7 increased by an amount which bears the same ratio
 8 to the excess of the tax determined without the ap-
 9 plication of this section over the tax determined
 10 after the application of this section as the ratio (but
 11 not over 100 percent) of the excess of the combined
 12 adjusted gross income of the spouses over \$100,000
 13 bears to \$50,000.

14 “(i) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall prescribe
 15 such regulations as may be necessary or appropriate to
 16 carry out this section.”.

17 (b) UNMARRIED RATE MADE APPLICABLE.—So
 18 much of subsection (c) of section 1 as precedes the table
 19 is amended to read as follows:

20 “(c) SEPARATE OR UNMARRIED RETURN RATE.—
 21 There is hereby imposed on the taxable income of every
 22 individual (other than a married individual (as defined in
 23 section 7703) filing a return which is not a combined re-

1 turn under section 6013A, a surviving spouse as defined
 2 in section 2(a), or a head of household as defined in sec-
 3 tion 2(b)) a tax determined in accordance with the fol-
 4 lowing table:”.

5 (c) PENALTY FOR SUBSTANTIAL UNDERSTATEMENT
 6 OF INCOME FROM PROPERTY.—Section 6662 (relating to
 7 imposition of accuracy-related penalty) is amended—

8 (1) by adding at the end of subsection (b) the
 9 following new paragraph:

10 “(6) Any substantial understatement of income
 11 from property under section 6013A.”, and

12 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
 13 section:

14 “(i) SUBSTANTIAL UNDERSTATEMENT OF INCOME
 15 FROM PROPERTY UNDER SECTION 6013A.—For pur-
 16 poses of this section, there is a substantial understatement
 17 of income from property under section 6013A if—

18 “(1) the spouses electing the treatment of such
 19 section for any taxable year transfer property from
 20 1 spouse to the other spouse in such year,

21 “(2) such transfer results in reduced tax liabil-
 22 ity under such section, and

23 “(3) the significant purpose of such transfer is
 24 the avoidance or evasion of Federal income tax.”.

1 (d) PROTECTION OF SOCIAL SECURITY AND MEDI-
2 CARE TRUST FUNDS.—

3 (1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this section shall
4 be construed to alter or amend the Social Security
5 Act (or any regulation promulgated under that Act).

6 (2) TRANSFERS.—

7 (A) ESTIMATE OF SECRETARY.—The Sec-
8 retary of the Treasury shall annually estimate
9 the impact that the enactment of this section
10 has on the income and balances of the trust
11 funds established under sections 201 and 1817
12 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 401 and
13 1395i).

14 (B) TRANSFER OF FUNDS.—If, under sub-
15 paragraph (A), the Secretary of the Treasury
16 estimates that the enactment of this section has
17 a negative impact on the income and balances
18 of such trust funds, the Secretary shall trans-
19 fer, not less frequently than quarterly, from the
20 general revenues of the Federal Government an
21 amount sufficient so as to ensure that the in-
22 come and balances of such trust funds are not
23 reduced as a result of the enactment of this sec-
24 tion.

(e) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for subpart B of part II of subchapter A of chapter 61 is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 6013 the following new item:

“Sec. 6013A. Combined return with separate rates.”.

(f) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2002.

TITLE II—ESTATE TAX RELIEF

SEC. 201. INCREASE IN AMOUNT OF UNIFIED CREDIT AGAINST ESTATE AND GIFT TAXES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The table contained in section 2010(c) (relating to applicable credit amount) is amended to read as follows:

“In the case of estates of decedents dying, and gifts made, during:	The applicable exclusion amount is:
2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, and 2006	\$1,000,000
2007 and 2008	\$1,125,000
2009	\$1,500,000
2010 or thereafter	\$2,000,000.”.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this section shall apply to the estates of decedents dying, and gifts made, after December 31, 2001.

SEC. 202. INCREASE IN QUALIFIED FAMILY-OWNED BUSINESS INTEREST DEDUCTION AMOUNT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (2) of section 2057(a) (relating to family-owned business interests) is amended to read as follows:

1 “(2) MAXIMUM DEDUCTION.—

2 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The deduction allowed
3 by this section shall not exceed the sum of—

4 “(i) the applicable deduction amount,
5 plus

6 “(ii) in the case of a decedent de-
7 scribed in subparagraph (C), the applicable
8 unused spousal deduction amount.

9 “(B) APPLICABLE DEDUCTION AMOUNT.—
10 For purposes of this subparagraph (A)(i), the
11 applicable deduction amount is determined in
12 accordance with the following table:

“In the case of estates of decedents dying during:	The applicable deduction amount is:
2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, and 2006	\$1,375,000
2007 and 2008	\$1,625,000
2009	\$2,375,000
2010 or thereafter	\$3,375,000.

13 “(C) APPLICABLE UNUSED SPOUSAL DE-
14 Duction AMOUNT.—With respect to a decedent
15 whose immediately predeceased spouse died
16 after December 31, 2001, and the estate of
17 such immediately predeceased spouse met the
18 requirements of subsection (b)(1), the applica-
19 ble unused spousal deduction amount for such
20 decedent is equal to the excess of—

21 “(i) the applicable deduction amount
22 allowable under this section to the estate

1 of such immediately predeceased spouse,
 2 over

3 “(ii) the sum of—

4 “(I) the applicable deduction
 5 amount allowed under this section to
 6 the estate of such immediately pre-
 7 deceased spouse, plus

8 “(II) the amount of any increase
 9 in such estate’s unified credit under
 10 paragraph (3)(B) which was allowed
 11 to such estate.”.

12 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section
 13 2057(a)(3)(B) is amended—

14 (1) by striking “\$675,000” both places it ap-
 15 pears and inserting “the applicable deduction
 16 amount”, and

17 (2) by striking “\$675,000” in the heading and
 18 inserting “APPLICABLE DEDUCTION AMOUNT”.

19 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
 20 this section shall apply to the estates of decedents dying,
 21 and gifts made, after December 31, 2001.

1 **TITLE III—TAX RELIEF FOR AF-**
 2 **FORDABLE HIGHER EDU-**
 3 **CATION**

4 **SEC. 301. DEDUCTION FOR HIGHER EDUCATION EXPENSES.**

5 (a) DEDUCTION ALLOWED.—Part VII of subchapter
 6 B of chapter 1 (relating to additional itemized deductions
 7 for individuals) is amended by redesignating section 222
 8 as section 223 and by inserting after section 221 the fol-
 9 lowing new section:

10 **“SEC. 222. HIGHER EDUCATION EXPENSES.**

11 “(a) ALLOWANCE OF DEDUCTION.—

12 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In the case of an indi-
 13 vidual, there shall be allowed as a deduction an
 14 amount equal to the applicable dollar amount of the
 15 qualified higher education expenses paid by the tax-
 16 payer during the taxable year.

17 “(2) APPLICABLE DOLLAR AMOUNT.—The ap-
 18 plicable dollar amount for any taxable year shall be
 19 determined as follows:

“Taxable year:	Applicable dollar amount:
2002	\$4,000
2003	\$8,000
2004 and thereafter	\$12,000.

20 “(b) LIMITATION BASED ON MODIFIED ADJUSTED
 21 GROSS INCOME.—

22 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The amount which would
 23 (but for this subsection) be taken into account under

1 subsection (a) shall be reduced (but not below zero)
 2 by the amount determined under paragraph (2).

3 “(2) AMOUNT OF REDUCTION.—The amount
 4 determined under this paragraph equals the amount
 5 which bears the same ratio to the amount which
 6 would be so taken into account as—

7 “(A) the excess of—

8 “(i) the taxpayer’s modified adjusted
 9 gross income for such taxable year, over

10 “(ii) \$62,450 (\$104,050 in the case of
 11 a joint return, \$89,150 in the case of a re-
 12 turn filed by a head of household, and
 13 \$52,025 in the case of a return by a mar-
 14 ried individual filing separately), bears to

15 “(B) \$15,000.

16 “(3) MODIFIED ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME.—
 17 For purposes of this subsection, the term ‘modified
 18 adjusted gross income’ means the adjusted gross in-
 19 come of the taxpayer for the taxable year
 20 determined—

21 “(A) without regard to this section and
 22 sections 911, 931, and 933, and

23 “(B) after the application of sections 86,
 24 135, 219, 220, and 469.

1 For purposes of the sections referred to in subpara-
 2 graph (B), adjusted gross income shall be deter-
 3 mined without regard to the deduction allowed under
 4 this section.

5 “(c) QUALIFIED HIGHER EDUCATION EXPENSES.—
 6 For purposes of this section—

7 “(1) QUALIFIED HIGHER EDUCATION EX-
 8 PENSES.—

9 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘qualified
 10 higher education expenses’ means tuition and
 11 fees charged by an educational institution and
 12 required for the enrollment or attendance of—

13 “(i) the taxpayer,

14 “(ii) the taxpayer’s spouse,

15 “(iii) any dependent of the taxpayer
 16 with respect to whom the taxpayer is al-
 17 lowed a deduction under section 151, or

18 “(iv) any grandchild of the taxpayer,
 19 as an eligible student at an institution of higher
 20 education.

21 “(B) ELIGIBLE COURSES.—Amounts paid
 22 for qualified higher education expenses of any
 23 individual shall be taken into account under
 24 subsection (a) only to the extent such
 25 expenses—

1 “(i) are attributable to courses of in-
 2 struction for which credit is allowed toward
 3 a baccalaureate degree by an institution of
 4 higher education or toward a certificate of
 5 required course work at a vocational
 6 school, and

7 “(ii) are not attributable to any grad-
 8 uate program of such individual.

9 “(C) EXCEPTION FOR NONACADEMIC
 10 FEES.—Such term does not include any student
 11 activity fees, athletic fees, insurance expenses,
 12 or other expenses unrelated to a student’s aca-
 13 demic course of instruction.

14 “(D) ELIGIBLE STUDENT.—For purposes
 15 of subparagraph (A), the term ‘eligible student’
 16 means a student who—

17 “(i) meets the requirements of section
 18 484(a)(1) of the Higher Education Act of
 19 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1091(a)(1)), as in effect
 20 on the date of the enactment of this sec-
 21 tion, and

22 “(ii) is carrying at least one-half the
 23 normal full-time work load for the course
 24 of study the student is pursuing, as deter-

1 mined by the institution of higher edu-
2 cation.

3 “(E) IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—No
4 deduction shall be allowed under subsection (a)
5 to a taxpayer with respect to an eligible student
6 unless the taxpayer includes the name, age, and
7 taxpayer identification number of such eligible
8 student on the return of tax for the taxable
9 year.

10 “(2) INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.—
11 The term ‘institution of higher education’ means an
12 institution which—

13 “(A) is described in section 481 of the
14 Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.
15 1088), as in effect on the date of the enactment
16 of this section, and

17 “(B) is eligible to participate in programs
18 under title IV of such Act.

19 “(d) SPECIAL RULES.—

20 “(1) NO DOUBLE BENEFIT.—

21 “(A) IN GENERAL.—No deduction shall be
22 allowed under subsection (a) for any expense
23 for which a deduction is allowable to the tax-
24 payer under any other provision of this chapter
25 unless the taxpayer irrevocably waives his right

1 to the deduction of such expense under such
 2 other provision.

3 “(B) DENIAL OF DEDUCTION IF CREDIT
 4 ELECTED.—No deduction shall be allowed
 5 under subsection (a) for a taxable year with re-
 6 spect to the qualified higher education expenses
 7 of an individual if the taxpayer elects to have
 8 section 25A apply with respect to such indi-
 9 vidual for such year.

10 “(C) DEPENDENTS.—No deduction shall
 11 be allowed under subsection (a) to any indi-
 12 vidual with respect to whom a deduction under
 13 section 151 is allowable to another taxpayer for
 14 a taxable year beginning in the calendar year in
 15 which such individual’s taxable year begins.

16 “(D) COORDINATION WITH EXCLUSIONS.—
 17 A deduction shall be allowed under subsection
 18 (a) for qualified higher education expenses only
 19 to the extent the amount of such expenses ex-
 20 ceeds the amount excludable under section 135
 21 or 530(d)(2) for the taxable year.

22 “(2) LIMITATION ON TAXABLE YEAR OF DE-
 23 Duction.—

24 “(A) IN GENERAL.—A deduction shall be
 25 allowed under subsection (a) for qualified high-

er education expenses for any taxable year only to the extent such expenses are in connection with enrollment at an institution of higher education during the taxable year.

“(B) CERTAIN PREPAYMENTS ALLOWED.—Subparagraph (A) shall not apply to qualified higher education expenses paid during a taxable year if such expenses are in connection with an academic term beginning during such taxable year or during the first 3 months of the next taxable year.

“(3) ADJUSTMENT FOR CERTAIN SCHOLARSHIPS AND VETERANS BENEFITS.—The amount of qualified higher education expenses otherwise taken into account under subsection (a) with respect to the education of an individual shall be reduced (before the application of subsection (b)) by the sum of the amounts received with respect to such individual for the taxable year as—

“(A) a qualified scholarship which under section 117 is not includable in gross income,

“(B) an educational assistance allowance under chapter 30, 31, 32, 34, or 35 of title 38, United States Code, or

1 “(C) a payment (other than a gift, be-
2 quest, devise, or inheritance within the meaning
3 of section 102(a)) for educational expenses, or
4 attributable to enrollment at an eligible edu-
5 cational institution, which is exempt from in-
6 come taxation by any law of the United States.

7 “(4) NO DEDUCTION FOR MARRIED INDIVID-
8 UALS FILING SEPARATE RETURNS.—If the taxpayer
9 is a married individual (within the meaning of sec-
10 tion 7703), this section shall apply only if the tax-
11 payer and the taxpayer’s spouse file a joint return
12 for the taxable year.

13 “(5) NONRESIDENT ALIENS.—If the taxpayer is
14 a nonresident alien individual for any portion of the
15 taxable year, this section shall apply only if such in-
16 dividual is treated as a resident alien of the United
17 States for purposes of this chapter by reason of an
18 election under subsection (g) or (h) of section 6013.

19 “(6) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary may pre-
20 scribe such regulations as may be necessary or ap-
21 propriate to carry out this section, including regula-
22 tions requiring recordkeeping and information re-
23 porting.”.

1 (b) DEDUCTION ALLOWED IN COMPUTING AD-
 2 JUSTED GROSS INCOME.—Section 62(a) is amended by in-
 3 serting after paragraph (17) the following new paragraph:

4 “(18) HIGHER EDUCATION EXPENSES.—The
 5 deduction allowed by section 222.”.

6 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-
 7 tions for part VII of subchapter B of chapter 1 is amended
 8 by striking the item relating to section 222 and inserting
 9 the following new items:

“Sec. 222. Higher education expenses.
 “Sec. 223. Cross reference.”.

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

13 **TITLE IV—TAX RELIEF FOR FAM-**
 14 **ILY CHOICES IN CHILD CARE**
 15 **Subtitle A—Dependent Care Tax**
 16 **Credit**

17 **SEC. 401. EXPANDING THE DEPENDENT CARE TAX CREDIT.**

18 (a) PERCENTAGE OF EMPLOYMENT-RELATED EX-
 19 PENSES DETERMINED BY TAXPAYER STATUS.—Section
 20 21(a)(2) (defining applicable percentage) is amended to
 21 read as follows:

22 “(2) APPLICABLE PERCENTAGE DEFINED.—For
 23 purposes of paragraph (1), the term ‘applicable per-
 24 centage’ means—

1 “(A) except as provided in subparagraph
 2 (B), 50 percent reduced (but not below 20 per-
 3 cent) by 1 percentage point for each \$1,000, or
 4 fraction thereof, by which the taxpayers’s ad-
 5 justed gross income for the taxable year exceeds
 6 \$30,000, and

7 “(B) in the case of employment-related ex-
 8 penses described in subsection (e)(11), 50 per-
 9 cent reduced (but not below zero) by 1 percent-
 10 age point for each \$800, or fraction thereof, by
 11 which the taxpayers’s adjusted gross income for
 12 the taxable year exceeds \$30,000.”.

13 (b) INFLATION ADJUSTMENT FOR ALLOWABLE EX-
 14 PENSES.—Section 21(c) (relating to dollar limit on
 15 amount creditable) is amended by striking “The amount
 16 determined” and inserting “In the case of any taxable
 17 year beginning after 2002, each dollar amount referred
 18 to in paragraphs (1) and (2) shall be increased by an
 19 amount equal to such dollar amount multiplied by the
 20 cost-of-living adjustment determined under section 1(f)(3)
 21 for the calendar year in which the taxable year begins,
 22 by substituting ‘calendar year 2001’ for ‘calendar year
 23 1992’ in subparagraph (B) thereof. If any dollar amount
 24 after being increased under the preceding sentence is not

1 a multiple of \$10, such dollar amount shall be rounded
 2 to the nearest multiple of \$10. The amount determined”.

3 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
 4 this section apply to taxable years beginning after Decem-
 5 ber 31, 2001.

6 **SEC. 402. MINIMUM CREDIT ALLOWED FOR STAY-AT-HOME**
 7 **PARENTS.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 21(e) (relating to special
 9 rules) is amended by adding at the end the following new
 10 paragraph:

11 “(11) MINIMUM CREDIT ALLOWED FOR STAY-
 12 AT-HOME PARENTS.—Notwithstanding subsection
 13 (d), in the case of any taxpayer with one or more
 14 qualifying individuals described in subsection
 15 (b)(1)(A) under the age of 1 at any time during the
 16 taxable year, such taxpayer shall be deemed to have
 17 employment-related expenses with respect to such
 18 qualifying individuals in an amount equal to the sum
 19 of—

20 “(A) \$90 for each month in such taxable
 21 year during which at least one of such quali-
 22 fying individuals is under the age of 1, and

23 “(B) the amount of employment-related ex-
 24 penses otherwise incurred for such qualifying
 25 individuals for the taxable year (determined

1 under this section without regard to this para-
 2 graph).”.

3 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
 4 this section apply to taxable years beginning after Decem-
 5 ber 31, 2001.

6 **SEC. 403. CREDIT MADE REFUNDABLE.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Part IV of subchapter A of chap-
 8 ter 1 (relating to credits against tax) is amended—

9 (1) by redesignating section 35 as section 36,
 10 and

11 (2) by redesignating section 21 as section 35.

12 (b) ADVANCE PAYMENT OF CREDIT.—Chapter 25
 13 (relating to general provisions relating to employment
 14 taxes) is amended by inserting after section 3507 the fol-
 15 lowing new section:

16 **“SEC. 3507A. ADVANCE PAYMENT OF DEPENDENT CARE**
 17 **CREDIT.**

18 “(a) GENERAL RULE.—Except as otherwise provided
 19 in this section, every employer making payment of wages
 20 with respect to whom a dependent care eligibility certifi-
 21 cate is in effect shall, at the time of paying such wages,
 22 make an additional payment equal to such employee’s de-
 23 pendent care advance amount.

24 “(b) DEPENDENT CARE ELIGIBILITY CERTIFI-
 25 CATE.—For purposes of this title, a dependent care eligi-

1 bility certificate is a statement furnished by an employee
 2 to the employer which—

3 “(1) certifies that the employee will be eligible
 4 to receive the credit provided by section 35 for the
 5 taxable year,

6 “(2) certifies that the employee reasonably ex-
 7 pects to be an applicable taxpayer for the taxable
 8 year,

9 “(3) certifies that the employee does not have
 10 a dependent care eligibility certificate in effect for
 11 the calendar year with respect to the payment of
 12 wages by another employer,

13 “(4) states whether or not the employee’s
 14 spouse has a dependent care eligibility certificate in
 15 effect,

16 “(5) states the number of qualifying individuals
 17 in the household maintained by the employee, and

18 “(6) estimates the amount of employment-re-
 19 lated expenses for the calendar year.

20 “(c) DEPENDENT CARE ADVANCE AMOUNT.—

21 “(1) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of this title,
 22 the term ‘dependent care advance amount’ means,
 23 with respect to any payroll period, the amount
 24 determined—

1 “(A) on the basis of the employee’s wages
2 from the employer for such period,

3 “(B) on the basis of the employee’s esti-
4 mated employment-related expenses included in
5 the dependent care eligibility certificate, and

6 “(C) in accordance with tables provided by
7 the Secretary.

8 “(2) ADVANCE AMOUNT TABLES.—The tables
9 referred to in paragraph (1)(C) shall be similar in
10 form to the tables prescribed under section 3402
11 and, to the maximum extent feasible, shall be coordi-
12 nated with such tables and the tables prescribed
13 under section 3507(c).

14 “(d) OTHER RULES.—For purposes of this section,
15 rules similar to the rules of subsections (d) and (e) of sec-
16 tion 3507 shall apply.

17 “(e) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section,
18 terms used in this section which are defined in section 35
19 shall have the respective meanings given such terms by
20 section 35.”.

21 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

22 (1) Section 35(a)(1), as redesignated by sub-
23 section (a)(1), is amended by striking “chapter” and
24 inserting “subtitle”.

1 (2) Section 35(e), as so redesignated and
 2 amended by section 402(a), is amended by adding at
 3 the end the following new paragraph:

4 “(12) COORDINATION WITH ADVANCE PAY-
 5 MENTS AND MINIMUM TAX.—Rules similar to the
 6 rules of subsections (g) and (h) of section 32 shall
 7 apply for purposes of this section.”.

8 (3) Sections 23(f)(1) and 129(a)(2)(C) are each
 9 amended by striking “section 21(e)” and inserting
 10 “section 35(e)”.

11 (4) Section 129(b)(2) is amended by striking
 12 “section 21(d)(2)” and inserting “section 35(d)(2)”.

13 (5) Section 129(e)(1) is amended by striking
 14 “section 21(b)(2)” and inserting “section 35(b)(2)”.

15 (6) Section 213(e) is amended by striking “sec-
 16 tion 21” and inserting “section 35”.

17 (7) Section 995(f)(2)(C) is amended by striking
 18 “and 34” and inserting “34, and 35”.

19 (8) Section 6211(b)(4)(A) is amended by strik-
 20 ing “and 34” and inserting “, 34, and 35”.

21 (9) Section 6213(g)(2)(H) is amended by strik-
 22 ing “section 21” and inserting “section 35”.

23 (10) Section 6213(g)(2)(L) is amended by
 24 striking “section 21, 24, or 32” and inserting “sec-
 25 tion 24, 32, or 35”.

1 (11) The table of sections for subpart C of part
 2 IV of subchapter A of chapter 1 is amended by
 3 striking the item relating to section 35 and inserting
 4 the following new items:

 “Sec. 35. Expenses for household and dependent care services
 necessary for gainful employment.

 “Sec. 36. Overpayments of tax.”.

5 (12) The table of sections for subpart A of such
 6 part IV is amended by striking the item relating to
 7 section 21.

8 (13) The table of sections for chapter 25 is
 9 amended by adding after the item relating to section
 10 3507 the following new item:

 “Sec. 3507A. Advance payment of dependent care credit.”.

11 (14) Section 1324(b)(2) of title 31, United
 12 States Code, is amended by striking “or” before
 13 “enacted” and by inserting before the period at the
 14 end “, or from section 35 of such Code”.

15 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
 16 this section apply to taxable years beginning after Decem-
 17 ber 31, 2001.

18 **Subtitle B—Incentives for** 19 **Employer-Provided Child Care**

20 **SEC. 411. ALLOWANCE OF CREDIT FOR EMPLOYER EX-** 21 **PENSES FOR CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE.**

22 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subpart D of part IV of sub-
 23 chapter A of chapter 1 (relating to business related cred-

1 its) is amended by adding at the end the following new
 2 section:

3 **“SEC. 45E. EMPLOYER-PROVIDED CHILD CARE CREDIT.**

4 “(a) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of section 38, the
 5 employer-provided child care credit determined under this
 6 section for the taxable year is an amount equal to the sum
 7 of—

8 “(1) 25 percent of the qualified child care ex-
 9 penditures, and

10 “(2) 10 percent of the qualified child care re-
 11 source and referral expenditures,
 12 of the taxpayer for such taxable year.

13 “(b) DOLLAR LIMITATION.—The credit allowable
 14 under subsection (a) for any taxable year shall not exceed
 15 \$150,000.

16 “(c) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section—

17 “(1) QUALIFIED CHILD CARE EXPENDITURE.—

18 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘qualified
 19 child care expenditure’ means any amount paid
 20 or incurred—

21 “(i) to acquire, construct, rehabilitate,
 22 or expand property—

23 “(I) which is to be used as part
 24 of a qualified child care facility of the
 25 taxpayer,

1 “(II) with respect to which a de-
2 duction for depreciation (or amortiza-
3 tion in lieu of depreciation) is allow-
4 able, and

5 “(III) which does not constitute
6 part of the principal residence (within
7 the meaning of section 121) of the
8 taxpayer or any employee of the tax-
9 payer,

10 “(ii) for the operating costs of a quali-
11 fied child care facility of the taxpayer, in-
12 cluding costs related to the training of em-
13 ployees, to scholarship programs, and to
14 the providing of increased compensation to
15 employees with higher levels of child care
16 training,

17 “(iii) under a contract with a qualified
18 child care facility to provide child care
19 services to employees of the taxpayer, or

20 “(iv) to reimburse an employee for ex-
21 penses for child care which enables the em-
22 ployee to be gainfully employed including
23 expenses related to—

24 “(I) day care and before and
25 after school care,

1 “(II) transportation associated
2 with such care, and

3 “(III) before and after school
4 and holiday programs including edu-
5 cational and recreational programs
6 and camp programs.

7 “(B) FAIR MARKET VALUE.—The term
8 ‘qualified child care expenditures’ shall not in-
9 clude expenses in excess of the fair market
10 value of such care.

11 “(2) QUALIFIED CHILD CARE FACILITY.—

12 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘qualified
13 child care facility’ means a facility—

14 “(i) the principal use of which is to
15 provide child care assistance, and

16 “(ii) which meets the requirements of
17 all applicable laws and regulations of the
18 State or local government in which it is lo-
19 cated, including the licensing of the facility
20 as a child care facility.

21 Clause (i) shall not apply to a facility which is
22 the principal residence (within the meaning of
23 section 121) of the operator of the facility.

24 “(B) SPECIAL RULES WITH RESPECT TO A
25 TAXPAYER.—A facility shall not be treated as a

1 qualified child care facility with respect to a
 2 taxpayer unless—

3 “(i) enrollment in the facility is open
 4 to employees of the taxpayer during the
 5 taxable year,

6 “(ii) if the facility is the principal
 7 trade or business of the taxpayer, at least
 8 30 percent of the enrollees of such facility
 9 are dependents of employees of the tax-
 10 payer, and

11 “(iii) the use of such facility (or the
 12 eligibility to use such facility) does not dis-
 13 criminate in favor of employees of the tax-
 14 payer who are highly compensated employ-
 15 ees (within the meaning of section 414(q)).

16 “(3) QUALIFIED CHILD CARE RESOURCE AND
 17 REFERRAL EXPENDITURE.—The term ‘qualified
 18 child care resource and referral expenditure’ means
 19 any amount paid or incurred under a contract to
 20 provide child care resource and referral services to
 21 an employee of the taxpayer.

22 “(d) RECAPTURE OF ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUC-
 23 TION CREDIT.—

24 “(1) IN GENERAL.—If, as of the close of any
 25 taxable year, there is a recapture event with respect

to any qualified child care facility of the taxpayer,
 then the tax of the taxpayer under this chapter for
 such taxable year shall be increased by an amount
 equal to the product of—

“(A) the applicable recapture percentage,

and

“(B) the aggregate decrease in the credits
 allowed under section 38 for all prior taxable
 years which would have resulted if the qualified
 child care expenditures of the taxpayer de-
 scribed in subsection (c)(1)(A) with respect to
 such facility had been zero.

“(2) APPLICABLE RECAPTURE PERCENTAGE.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of this
 subsection, the applicable recapture percentage
 shall be determined from the following table:

“If the recapture event occurs in:	The applicable recapture percentage is:
Years 1–3	100
Year 4	85
Year 5	70
Year 6	55
Year 7	40
Year 8	25
Years 9 and 10	10
Years 11 and thereafter	0.

“(B) YEARS.—For purposes of subpara-
 graph (A), year 1 shall begin on the first day
 of the taxable year in which the qualified child
 care facility is placed in service by the taxpayer.

1 “(3) RECAPTURE EVENT DEFINED.—For pur-
2 poses of this subsection, the term ‘recapture event’
3 means—

4 “(A) CESSATION OF OPERATION.—The
5 cessation of the operation of the facility as a
6 qualified child care facility.

7 “(B) CHANGE IN OWNERSHIP.—

8 “(i) IN GENERAL.—Except as pro-
9 vided in clause (ii), the disposition of a
10 taxpayer’s interest in a qualified child care
11 facility with respect to which the credit de-
12 scribed in subsection (a) was allowable.

13 “(ii) AGREEMENT TO ASSUME RECAP-
14 TURE LIABILITY.—Clause (i) shall not
15 apply if the person acquiring such interest
16 in the facility agrees in writing to assume
17 the recapture liability of the person dis-
18 posing of such interest in effect imme-
19 diately before such disposition. In the
20 event of such an assumption, the person
21 acquiring the interest in the facility shall
22 be treated as the taxpayer for purposes of
23 assessing any recapture liability (computed
24 as if there had been no change in owner-
25 ship).

1 “(4) SPECIAL RULES.—

2 “(A) TAX BENEFIT RULE.—The tax for
3 the taxable year shall be increased under para-
4 graph (1) only with respect to credits allowed
5 by reason of this section which were used to re-
6 duce tax liability. In the case of credits not so
7 used to reduce tax liability, the carryforwards
8 and carrybacks under section 39 shall be appro-
9 priately adjusted.

10 “(B) NO CREDITS AGAINST TAX.—Any in-
11 crease in tax under this subsection shall not be
12 treated as a tax imposed by this chapter for
13 purposes of determining the amount of any
14 credit under subpart A, B, or D of this part.

15 “(C) NO RECAPTURE BY REASON OF CAS-
16 UALTY LOSS.—The increase in tax under this
17 subsection shall not apply to a cessation of op-
18 eration of the facility as a qualified child care
19 facility by reason of a casualty loss to the ex-
20 tent such loss is restored by reconstruction or
21 replacement within a reasonable period estab-
22 lished by the Secretary.

23 “(e) SPECIAL RULES.—For purposes of this
24 section—

1 “(1) AGGREGATION RULES.—All persons which
2 are treated as a single employer under subsections
3 (a) and (b) of section 52 shall be treated as a single
4 taxpayer.

5 “(2) PASS-THRU IN THE CASE OF ESTATES AND
6 TRUSTS.—Under regulations prescribed by the Sec-
7 retary, rules similar to the rules of subsection (d) of
8 section 52 shall apply.

9 “(3) ALLOCATION IN THE CASE OF PARTNER-
10 SHIPS.—In the case of partnerships, the credit shall
11 be allocated among partners under regulations pre-
12 scribed by the Secretary.

13 “(f) NO DOUBLE BENEFIT.—

14 “(1) REDUCTION IN BASIS.—For purposes of
15 this subtitle—

16 “(A) IN GENERAL.—If a credit is deter-
17 mined under this section with respect to any
18 property by reason of expenditures described in
19 subsection (c)(1)(A), the basis of such property
20 shall be reduced by the amount of the credit so
21 determined.

22 “(B) CERTAIN DISPOSITIONS.—If, during
23 any taxable year, there is a recapture amount
24 determined with respect to any property the
25 basis of which was reduced under subparagraph

1 (A), the basis of such property (immediately be-
 2 fore the event resulting in such recapture) shall
 3 be increased by an amount equal to such recap-
 4 ture amount. For purposes of the preceding
 5 sentence, the term ‘recapture amount’ means
 6 any increase in tax (or adjustment in
 7 carrybacks or carryovers) determined under
 8 subsection (d).

9 “(2) OTHER DEDUCTIONS AND CREDITS.—No
 10 deduction or credit shall be allowed under any other
 11 provision of this chapter with respect to the amount
 12 of the credit determined under this section.”.

13 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

14 (1) Section 38(b) is amended by striking “plus”
 15 at the end of paragraph (12), by striking the period
 16 at the end of paragraph (13) and inserting “, plus”,
 17 and by adding at the end the following new para-
 18 graph:

19 “(14) the employer-provided child care credit
 20 determined under section 45E.”.

21 (2) Subsection (d) of section 39 is amended by
 22 adding at the end the following new paragraph:

23 “(10) NO CARRYBACK OF EMPLOYER-PROVIDED
 24 CHILD CARE CREDIT BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2002.—No
 25 portion of the unused business credit for any taxable

1 year which is attributable to the credit under section
 2 45E may be carried back to a taxable year ending
 3 before January 1, 2002.”.

4 (3) Subsection (c) of section 196 is amended by
 5 striking “and” at the end of paragraph (8), by strik-
 6 ing the period at the end of paragraph (9) and in-
 7 serting “, and”, and by adding at the end the fol-
 8 lowing new paragraph:

9 “(10) the employer-provided child care credit
 10 determined under section 45E(a).”.

11 (4) The table of sections for subpart D of part
 12 IV of subchapter A of chapter 1 is amended by add-
 13 ing at the end the following new item:

“Sec. 45E. Employer-provided child care credit.”.

14 (5) Section 1016(a) is amended by striking
 15 “and” at the end of paragraph (26), by striking the
 16 period at the end of paragraph (27) and inserting “,
 17 and”, and by adding at the end the following new
 18 paragraph:

19 “(28) in the case of a facility with respect to
 20 which a credit was allowed under section 45E, to the
 21 extent provided in section 45E(f)(1).”.

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

TITLE V—TAX RELIEF FOR LONG-TERM CARE GIVERS

SEC. 501. LONG-TERM CARE TAX CREDIT.

(a) ALLOWANCE OF CREDIT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 24(a) (relating to allowance of child tax credit) is amended to read as follows:

“(a) ALLOWANCE OF CREDIT.—There shall be allowed as a credit against the tax imposed by this chapter for the taxable year an amount equal to the sum of—

“(1) \$500 multiplied by the number of qualifying children of the taxpayer, plus

“(2) \$3,000 multiplied by the number of applicable individuals with respect to whom the taxpayer is an eligible caregiver for the taxable year.”.

(2) ADDITIONAL CREDIT FOR TAXPAYER WITH 3 OR MORE SEPARATE CREDIT AMOUNTS.—So much of section 24(d) as precedes paragraph (1)(A) thereof is amended to read as follows:

“(d) ADDITIONAL CREDIT FOR TAXPAYERS WITH 3 OR MORE SEPARATE CREDIT AMOUNTS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—If the sum of the number of qualifying children of the taxpayer and the number of applicable individuals with respect to which the taxpayer is an eligible caregiver is 3 or more for

1 any taxable year, the aggregate credits allowed
 2 under subpart C shall be increased by the lesser
 3 of—”.

4 (3) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

5 (A) The heading for section 32(n) is
 6 amended by striking “CHILD” and inserting
 7 “FAMILY CARE”.

8 (B) The heading for section 24 is amended
 9 to read as follows:

10 **“SEC. 24. FAMILY CARE CREDIT.”.**

11 (C) The table of sections for subpart A of
 12 part IV of subchapter A of chapter 1 is amend-
 13 ed by striking the item relating to section 24
 14 and inserting the following new item:

“Sec. 24. Family care credit.”.

15 (b) DEFINITIONS.—Section 24(c) (defining qualifying
 16 child) is amended to read as follows:

17 “(c) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section—

18 “(1) QUALIFYING CHILD.—

19 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘qualifying
 20 child’ means any individual if—

21 “(i) the taxpayer is allowed a deduc-
 22 tion under section 151 with respect to such
 23 individual for the taxable year,

24 “(ii) such individual has not attained
 25 the age of 17 as of the close of the cal-

1 endar year in which the taxable year of the
2 taxpayer begins, and

3 “(iii) such individual bears a relation-
4 ship to the taxpayer described in section
5 32(c)(3)(B).

6 “(B) EXCEPTION FOR CERTAIN NONCITI-
7 ZENS.—The term ‘qualifying child’ shall not in-
8 clude any individual who would not be a de-
9 pendent if the first sentence of section
10 152(b)(3) were applied without regard to all
11 that follows ‘resident of the United States’.

12 “(2) APPLICABLE INDIVIDUAL.—

13 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘applicable
14 individual’ means, with respect to any taxable
15 year, any individual who has been certified, be-
16 fore the due date for filing the return of tax for
17 the taxable year (without extensions), by a phy-
18 sician (as defined in section 1861(r)(1) of the
19 Social Security Act) as being an individual with
20 long-term care needs described in subparagraph
21 (B) for a period—

22 “(i) which is at least 180 consecutive
23 days, and

24 “(ii) a portion of which occurs within
25 the taxable year.

Such term shall not include any individual otherwise meeting the requirements of the preceding sentence unless within the 39½ month period ending on such due date (or such other period as the Secretary prescribes) a physician (as so defined) has certified that such individual meets such requirements.

“(B) INDIVIDUALS WITH LONG-TERM CARE NEEDS.—An individual is described in this subparagraph if the individual meets any of the following requirements:

“(i) The individual is at least 6 years of age and—

“(I) is unable to perform (without substantial assistance from another individual) at least 3 activities of daily living (as defined in section 7702B(c)(2)(B)) due to a loss of functional capacity, or

“(II) requires substantial supervision to protect such individual from threats to health and safety due to severe cognitive impairment and is unable to perform at least 1 activity of daily living (as so defined) or to the

1 extent provided in regulations pre-
 2 scribed by the Secretary (in consulta-
 3 tion with the Secretary of Health and
 4 Human Services), is unable to engage
 5 in age appropriate activities.

6 “(ii) The individual is at least 2 but
 7 not 6 years of age and is unable due to a
 8 loss of functional capacity to perform
 9 (without substantial assistance from an-
 10 other individual) at least 2 of the following
 11 activities: eating, transferring, or mobility.

12 “(iii) The individual is under 2 years
 13 of age and requires specific durable med-
 14 ical equipment by reason of a severe health
 15 condition or requires a skilled practitioner
 16 trained to address the individual’s condi-
 17 tion to be available if the individual’s par-
 18 ents or guardians are absent.

19 “(3) ELIGIBLE CAREGIVER.—

20 “(A) IN GENERAL.—A taxpayer shall be
 21 treated as an eligible caregiver for any taxable
 22 year with respect to the following individuals:

23 “(i) The taxpayer.

24 “(ii) The taxpayer’s spouse.

1 “(iii) An individual with respect to
 2 whom the taxpayer is allowed a deduction
 3 under section 151 for the taxable year.

4 “(iv) An individual who would be de-
 5 scribed in clause (iii) for the taxable year
 6 if section 151(c)(1)(A) were applied by
 7 substituting for the exemption amount an
 8 amount equal to the sum of the exemption
 9 amount, the standard deduction under sec-
 10 tion 63(c)(2)(C), and any additional stand-
 11 ard deduction under section 63(c)(3) which
 12 would be applicable to the individual if
 13 clause (iii) applied.

14 “(v) An individual who would be de-
 15 scribed in clause (iii) for the taxable year
 16 if—

17 “(I) the requirements of clause
 18 (iv) are met with respect to the indi-
 19 vidual, and

20 “(II) the requirements of sub-
 21 paragraph (B) are met with respect to
 22 the individual in lieu of the support
 23 test of section 152(a).

24 “(B) RESIDENCY TEST.—The require-
 25 ments of this subparagraph are met if an indi-

vidual has as his principal place of abode the
home of the taxpayer and—

“(i) in the case of an individual who
is an ancestor or descendant of the tax-
payer or the taxpayer’s spouse, is a mem-
ber of the taxpayer’s household for over
half the taxable year, or

“(ii) in the case of any other indi-
vidual, is a member of the taxpayer’s
household for the entire taxable year.

“(C) SPECIAL RULES WHERE MORE THAN
1 ELIGIBLE CAREGIVER.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—If more than 1 in-
dividual is an eligible caregiver with re-
spect to the same applicable individual for
taxable years ending with or within the
same calendar year, a taxpayer shall be
treated as the eligible caregiver if each
such individual (other than the taxpayer)
files a written declaration (in such form
and manner as the Secretary may pre-
scribe) that such individual will not claim
such applicable individual for the credit
under this section.

“(ii) NO AGREEMENT.—If each individual required under clause (i) to file a written declaration under clause (i) does not do so, the individual with the highest modified adjusted gross income (as defined in section 32(c)(5)) shall be treated as the eligible caregiver.

“(iii) MARRIED INDIVIDUALS FILING SEPARATELY.—In the case of married individuals filing separately, the determination under this subparagraph as to whether the husband or wife is the eligible caregiver shall be made under the rules of clause (ii) (whether or not one of them has filed a written declaration under clause (i)).”.

(c) IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 24(e) is amended by adding at the end the following new sentence: “No credit shall be allowed under this section to a taxpayer with respect to any applicable individual unless the taxpayer includes the name and taxpayer identification number of such individual, and the identification number of the physician certifying such individual, on the return of tax for the taxable year.”.

1 (2) ASSESSMENT.—Section 6213(g)(2)(I) is
2 amended—

3 (A) by inserting “or physician identifica-
4 tion” after “correct TIN”, and

5 (B) by striking “child” and inserting
6 “family care”.

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

10 **TITLE VI—TAX RELIEF FOR** 11 **WORKING FAMILIES**

12 **SEC. 601. INCREASED EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR 2** 13 **OR MORE QUALIFYING CHILDREN.**

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—The table in section 32(b)(1)(A)
15 (relating to percentages) is amended—

16 (1) in the second item—

17 (A) by striking “or more”, and

18 (B) by striking “21.06” and inserting
19 “19.06”, and

20 (2) by inserting after the second item the fol-
21 lowing new item:

“3 or more qualifying children	45	19.06”
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22 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
23 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
24 December 31, 2001.

1 **SEC. 602. SIMPLIFICATION OF DEFINITION OF EARNED IN-**
2 **COME.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 32(c)(2)(A)(i) (defining
4 earned income) is amended by inserting “, but only if such
5 amounts are includible in gross income for the taxable
6 year” after “other employee compensation”.

7 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section
8 32(c)(2)(B) is amended by striking “and” at the end of
9 clause (iv), by striking the period at the end of clause (v)
10 and inserting “, and”, and by adding at the end the fol-
11 lowing new clause:

12 “(vi) the requirement under subpara-
13 graph (A)(i) that an amount be includible
14 in gross income shall not apply if such
15 amount is exempt from tax under section
16 7873 or is derived directly from restricted
17 and allotted land under the Act of Feb-
18 ruary 8, 1887 (commonly known as the In-
19 dian General Allotment Act) (25 U.S.C.
20 331 et seq.) or from land held under Acts
21 or treaties containing an exception provi-
22 sion similar to the Indian General Allot-
23 ment Act.”.

24 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
25 this section shall apply to amounts received in taxable
26 years beginning after December 31, 2001.

1 **SEC. 603. SIMPLIFICATION OF DEFINITION OF CHILD DE-**
 2 **PENDENT.**

3 (a) REMOVAL OF SUPPORT TEST FOR CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS.—Section 152(a) (relating to definition of de-
 4 pendent) is amended to read as follows:

6 “(a) GENERAL DEFINITION.—For purposes of this
 7 subtitle—

8 “(1) DEPENDENT.—The term ‘dependent’
 9 means—

10 “(A) any individual described in paragraph
 11 (2) over half of whose support, for the calendar
 12 year in which the taxable year of the taxpayer
 13 begins, was received from the taxpayer (or is
 14 treated under subsection (c) as received from
 15 the taxpayer), or

16 “(B) any individual described in subsection
 17 (f).

18 “(2) INDIVIDUALS.—An individual is described
 19 in this paragraph if such individual is—

20 “(A) a brother, sister, stepbrother, or step-
 21 sister of the taxpayer,

22 “(B) the father or mother of the taxpayer,
 23 or an ancestor of either,

24 “(C) a stepfather or stepmother of the tax-
 25 payer,

1 “(D) a son or daughter of a brother or sis-
2 ter of the taxpayer,

3 “(E) a brother or sister of the father or
4 mother of the taxpayer,

5 “(F) a son-in-law, daughter-in-law, father-
6 in-law, mother-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-
7 in-law of the taxpayer, or

8 “(G) an individual (other than an indi-
9 vidual who at any time during the taxable year
10 was the spouse, determined without regard to
11 section 7703, of the taxpayer) who, for the tax-
12 able year of the taxpayer, has as their principal
13 place of abode the home of the taxpayer and is
14 a member of the taxpayer’s household.”.

15 (b) OTHER MODIFICATIONS.—Section 152 is amend-
16 ed by adding at the end the following new subsection:

17 “(f) SUBSECTION (f) DEPENDENTS.—

18 “(1) IN GENERAL.—An individual is described
19 in this subsection for the taxable year if such
20 individual—

21 “(A) bears a relationship to the taxpayer
22 described in paragraph (2),

23 “(B) except in the case of an eligible foster
24 child or as provided in subsection (e), has the
25 same principal place of abode as the taxpayer

1 for more than one-half of such taxable year,
 2 and

3 “(C)(i) has not attained the age of 19 at
 4 the close of the calendar year in which the tax-
 5 able year begins, or

6 “(ii) is a student (within the meaning of
 7 section 151(c)(4)) who has not attained the age
 8 of 24 at the close of such calendar year.

9 “(2) RELATIONSHIP TEST.—An individual bears
 10 a relationship to the taxpayer described in this para-
 11 graph if such individual is—

12 “(A) a son or daughter of the taxpayer, or
 13 a descendant of either, or

14 “(B) a stepson or stepdaughter of the tax-
 15 payer.

16 “(3) SPECIAL RULES.—

17 “(A) 2 OR MORE CLAIMING DEPENDENT.—
 18 Except as provided in subparagraph (B), if an
 19 individual may be claimed as a dependent by 2
 20 or more taxpayers (but for this subparagraph)
 21 for a taxable year beginning in the same cal-
 22 endar year, only the taxpayer with the highest
 23 adjusted gross income for such taxable year
 24 shall be allowed the deduction with respect to
 25 such individual.

1 “(B) RELEASE OF CLAIM TO EXEMP-
 2 TION.—Subparagraph (A) shall not apply with
 3 respect to an individual if—

4 “(i) the taxpayer with the highest ad-
 5 justed gross income under subparagraph
 6 (A), for any calendar year signs a written
 7 declaration (in such manner and form as
 8 the Secretary may by regulations pre-
 9 scribe) that such taxpayer will not claim
 10 such individual as a dependent for any tax-
 11 able year beginning in such calendar year,

12 “(ii) the other taxpayer provides over
 13 half of such individual’s support for the
 14 calendar year in which the taxable year of
 15 such other taxpayer begins, and

16 “(iii) such other taxpayer attaches
 17 such written declaration to such taxpayer’s
 18 return for the taxable year beginning dur-
 19 ing such calendar year.”.

20 (c) RULES RELATING TO FOSTER CHILD.—Section
 21 152(b)(2) (relating to rules relating to general definition)
 22 is amended by striking “a foster child” and all that follows
 23 through “individual)” and inserting “an eligible foster
 24 child (as defined in section 32(c)(3)(B)(iii)) of an indi-
 25 vidual”.

1 (d) EXEMPTION FROM GROSS INCOME TEST.—Sec-
 2 tion 151(c)(3) (relating to definition of child) is amended
 3 by striking “or stepdaughter” and inserting “step-
 4 daughter, or a descendant of such individual”.

5 (e) WAIVER OF DEDUCTION FOR DIVORCED PAR-
 6 ENTS.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—So much of section 152(e)
 8 as precedes paragraph (4) (relating to support test
 9 in case of child of divorced parents, etc.) is amended
 10 to read as follows:

11 “(e) SPECIAL RULES FOR CHILD OF DIVORCED PAR-
 12 ENTS.—

13 “(1) RELEASE OF CLAIM TO EXEMPTION.—In
 14 the case of a child (as defined in section 151(c)(3))
 15 of parents—

16 “(A) who are divorced or legally separated
 17 under a decree of divorce or separate mainte-
 18 nance,

19 “(B) who are separated under a written
 20 separation agreement, or

21 “(C) who live apart at all times during the
 22 last 6 months of the calendar year,

23 the custodial parent who is entitled to the deduction
 24 under section 151 for a taxable year with respect to

1 such child may release such deduction to the non-
2 custodial parent.

3 “(2) PROCEDURE.—The noncustodial parent
4 may claim a child described in paragraph (1) as a
5 dependent for the taxable year if—

6 “(A) the custodial parent signs a written
7 declaration (in such manner and form as the
8 Secretary may by regulations prescribe) that
9 such custodial parent will not claim such child
10 as a dependent for any taxable year beginning
11 in such calendar year,

12 “(B) the custodial parent and the non-
13 custodial parent provide over half of such
14 child’s support for the calendar year in which
15 the taxable years of such parents begin, and

16 “(C) the noncustodial parent attaches such
17 written declaration to such noncustodial par-
18 ent’s return for the taxable year beginning dur-
19 ing such calendar year.

20 “(3) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this
21 subsection—

22 “(A) CUSTODIAL PARENT.—The term ‘cus-
23 todial parent’ means, with regard to an indi-
24 vidual, a parent who has custody of such indi-

1 vidual for a greater portion of the calendar year
2 than the noncustodial parent.

3 “(B) NONCUSTODIAL PARENT.—The term
4 ‘noncustodial parent’ means the parent who is
5 not the custodial parent.”.

6 (2) PRE-1985 INSTRUMENTS.—Section
7 152(e)(4)(A) is amended by striking “A child” and
8 all that follows through “noncustodial parent” and
9 inserting “A noncustodial parent described in para-
10 graph (1) shall be entitled to the deduction under
11 section 151 for a taxable year with respect to a child
12 if”.

13 (f) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

14 (1) Section 1(g)(5)(A) is amended by inserting
15 “as in effect on the day before the date of the enact-
16 ment of the Working Family Tax Relief Act of
17 2001” after “152(e)”.

18 (2) Section 2(b)(1)(A)(i) is amended by striking
19 “paragraph (2) or (4) of”.

20 (3) Section 2(b)(3)(B)(i) is amended by striking
21 “paragraph (9)” and inserting “paragraph (2)(G)”.

22 (4) Section 21(e)(5)(A) is amended by striking
23 “paragraph (2) or (4) of”.

24 (5) Section 21(e)(5) is amended in the matter
25 following subclause (B) by inserting “as in effect on

1 the day before the date of the enactment of the
2 Working Family Tax Relief Act of 2001” after
3 “152(e)(1)”.

4 (6) Section 32(c)(1)(G) is amended by striking
5 “(3)(D).” and inserting “(1)(C). An individual
6 whose qualifying child or qualifying children are not
7 taken into account under subsection (b) solely by
8 reason of paragraph (3)(D) shall be treated as an el-
9 igible individual if such individual otherwise meets
10 the requirements of subparagraph (A)(ii).”.

11 (7) Section 32(c)(3)(B)(ii) is amended by strik-
12 ing “paragraph (2) or (4) of”.

13 (8) Section 51(i)(1)(C) is amended by striking
14 “152(a)(9)” and inserting “152(a)(2)(G)”.

15 (9) Section 152(b) is amended by striking
16 “specified in subsection (a)” and inserting “specified
17 in subsection (a)(2) or (f)(2)”.

18 (10) Section 152(c) is amended by striking
19 “(a)” and inserting “(a)(1)”.

20 (11) Section 7703(b)(1) is amended by striking
21 “paragraph (2) or (4) of”.

22 (12) The following provisions of are each
23 amended by striking “paragraphs (1) through (8) of
24 section 152(a)” and inserting “subparagraphs (A)

1 through (F) of subsection (a)(2) or subsection (f)(2)
 2 of section 152”:

3 (A) Section 170(g)(3).

4 (B) Subparagraphs (A) and (B) of section
 5 51(i)(1).

6 (C) The second sentence of section
 7 213(d)(11).

8 (D) Section 529(e)(2)(B).

9 (E) Section 7702B(f)(2)(C)(iii).

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

13 **SEC. 604. OTHER MODIFICATIONS TO EARNED INCOME TAX**
 14 **CREDIT.**

15 (a) MODIFICATION OF JOINT RETURN REQUIRE-
 16 MENT.—Subsection (d) of section 32 is amended to read
 17 as follows:

18 “(d) MARRIED INDIVIDUALS.—

19 “(1) IN GENERAL.—If the taxpayer is married
 20 at the close of the taxable year, the credit shall be
 21 allowed under subsection (a) only if the taxpayer
 22 and his spouse file a joint return for the taxable
 23 year.

24 “(2) MARITAL STATUS.—For purposes of para-
 25 graph (1), an individual legally separated from his

1 spouse under a decree of divorce or of separate
2 maintenance shall not be considered as married.

3 “(3) CERTAIN MARRIED INDIVIDUALS LIVING
4 APART.—For purposes of paragraph (1), if—

5 “(A) an individual —

6 “(i) is married and files a separate re-
7 turn, and

8 “(ii) has a qualifying child who is a
9 son, daughter, stepson, or stepdaughter of
10 such individual, and

11 “(B) during the last 6 months of such tax-
12 able year, such individual and such individual’s
13 spouse do not have the same principal place of
14 abode,

15 such individual shall not be considered as married.”.

16 (b) MODIFICATION OF RULE WHERE THERE ARE 2
17 OR MORE ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS.—Subparagraph (C) of
18 section 32(c)(1) is amended to read as follows:

19 “(C) 2 OR MORE ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS.—

20 “(i) IN GENERAL.—Except as pro-
21 vided in clause (ii), if 2 or more individuals
22 would (but for this subparagraph and after
23 application of subparagraph (B)) be treat-
24 ed as eligible individuals with respect to
25 the same qualifying child for taxable years

beginning in the same calendar year, only the individual with the highest modified adjusted gross income for such taxable years shall be treated as an eligible individual with respect to such qualifying child.

“(ii) EXCEPTION FOR CERTAIN PARENTS.—An otherwise eligible individual who is not treated under clause (i) as the only eligible individual with respect to any qualifying child shall be treated as an eligible individual with respect to such child if—

“(I) such child is the son, daughter, stepson, or stepdaughter of such individual,

“(II) such child is not taken into account under subsection (b) by any other individual, and

“(III) the limitation under subsection (a)(2) for the individual who would (but for this clause) be treated under clause (i) as the only eligible individual with respect to such child would be greater than zero (deter-

1 mined as if such individual had 2
 2 qualifying children).”.

3 (c) EXPANSION OF MATHEMATICAL ERROR AUTHOR-
 4 ITY.—Paragraph (2) of section 6213(g) is amended by
 5 striking “and” at the end of subparagraph (K), by striking
 6 the period at the end of subparagraph (L) and inserting
 7 “, and”, and by inserting after subparagraph (L) the fol-
 8 lowing new subparagraph:

9 “(M) the entry on the return claiming the
 10 credit under section 32 with respect to a child
 11 if, according to the Federal Case Registry of
 12 Child Support Orders established under section
 13 453(h) of the Social Security Act, the taxpayer
 14 is a noncustodial parent of such child.”.

15 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
 16 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
 17 December 31, 2001.

18 **TITLE VII—TAX RELIEF FOR** 19 **SELF-EMPLOYED INDIVIDUALS**

20 **SEC. 701. DEDUCTION FOR HEALTH INSURANCE COSTS OF** 21 **SELF-EMPLOYED INDIVIDUALS INCREASED.**

22 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 162(l)(1) (relating to spe-
 23 cial rules for health insurance costs of self-employed indi-
 24 viduals) is amended to read as follows:

1 “(1) ALLOWANCE OF DEDUCTION.—In the case
2 of an individual who is an employee within the
3 meaning of section 401(c)(1), there shall be allowed
4 as a deduction under this section an amount equal
5 to the amount paid during the taxable year for in-
6 surance which constitutes medical care for the tax-
7 payer, the taxpayer’s spouse, and dependents.”.

8 (b) CLARIFICATION OF LIMITATIONS ON OTHER COV-
9 ERAGE.—The first sentence of section 162(l)(2)(B) is
10 amended to read as follows: “Paragraph (1) shall not
11 apply to any taxpayer for any calendar month for which
12 the taxpayer participates in any subsidized health plan
13 maintained by any employer (other than an employer de-
14 scribed in section 401(c)(4)) of the taxpayer or the spouse
15 of the taxpayer.”.

16 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
17 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
18 December 31, 2000.

1 TITLE VIII—TAX RELIEF FOR EX-
2 PANDING PENSION AVAIL-
3 ABILITY

4 SEC. 801. NONREFUNDABLE CREDIT TO CERTAIN INDIVID-
5 UALS FOR ELECTIVE DEFERRALS AND IRA
6 CONTRIBUTIONS.

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subpart A of part IV of sub-
8 chapter A of chapter 1 (relating to nonrefundable personal
9 credits), as amended by section 302(a), is amended by in-
10 serting after section 25B the following new section:

11 “SEC. 25C. ELECTIVE DEFERRALS AND IRA CONTRIBU-
12 TIONS BY CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS.

13 “(a) ALLOWANCE OF CREDIT.—In the case of an eli-
14 gible individual, there shall be allowed as a credit against
15 the tax imposed by this subtitle for the taxable year an
16 amount equal to the applicable percentage of so much of
17 the qualified retirement savings contributions of the eligi-
18 ble individual for the taxable year as do not exceed \$2,000.

19 “(b) APPLICABLE PERCENTAGE.—For purposes of
20 this section, the applicable percentage is the percentage
21 determined in accordance with the following table:

Adjusted Gross Income						Applica- ble per- centage
Joint return		Head of a household		All other cases		
Over	Not over	Over	Not over	Over	Not over	
\$0	\$35,000	\$0	\$26,250	\$0	\$17,500	50
35,000	40,000	26,250	30,000	17,500	20,000	40
40,000	45,000	30,000	33,750	20,000	22,500	30

Adjusted Gross Income						Applica- ble per- centage
Joint return		Head of a household		All other cases		
Over	Not over	Over	Not over	Over	Not over	
45,000	50,000	33,750	37,500	22,500	25,000	15

1 “(c) ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUAL.—For purposes of this
2 section—

3 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘eligible indi-
4 vidual’ means any individual if such individual has
5 attained the age of 18 as of the close of the taxable
6 year.

7 “(2) DEPENDENTS AND FULL-TIME STUDENTS
8 NOT ELIGIBLE.—The term ‘eligible individual’ shall
9 not include—

10 “(A) any individual with respect to whom
11 a deduction under section 151 is allowed to an-
12 other taxpayer for a taxable year beginning in
13 the calendar year in which such individual’s
14 taxable year begins, and

15 “(B) any individual who is a student (as
16 defined in section 151(c)(4)).

17 “(d) QUALIFIED RETIREMENT SAVINGS CONTRIBU-
18 TIONS.—For purposes of this section—

19 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘qualified retire-
20 ment savings contributions’ means, with respect to
21 any taxable year, the sum of—

“(A) the amount of the qualified retirement contributions (as defined in section 219(e)) made by the eligible individual,

“(B) the amount of—

“(i) any elective deferrals (as defined in section 402(g)(3)) of such individual, and

“(ii) any elective deferral of compensation by such individual under an eligible deferred compensation plan (as defined in section 457(b)) of an eligible employer described in section 457(e)(1)(A), and

“(C) the amount of voluntary employee contributions by such individual to any qualified retirement plan (as defined in section 4974(c)).

“(2) REDUCTION FOR CERTAIN DISTRIBUTIONS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The qualified retirement savings contributions determined under paragraph (1) shall be reduced (but not below zero) by the sum of—

“(i) any distribution from a qualified retirement plan (as defined in section 4974(c)), or from an eligible deferred com-

pensation plan (as defined in section 457(b)), received by the individual during the testing period which is includible in gross income, and

“(ii) any distribution from a Roth IRA received by the individual during the testing period which is not a qualified rollover contribution (as defined in section 408A(e)) to a Roth IRA.

“(B) TESTING PERIOD.—For purposes of subparagraph (A), the testing period, with respect to a taxable year, is the period which includes—

“(i) such taxable year,

“(ii) the 2 preceding taxable years,

and

“(iii) the period after such taxable year and before the due date (including extensions) for filing the return of tax for such taxable year.

“(C) EXCEPTED DISTRIBUTIONS.—There shall not be taken into account under subparagraph (A)—

1 “(i) any distribution referred to in
 2 section 72(p), 401(k)(8), 401(m)(6),
 3 402(g)(2), 404(k), or 408(d)(4), and

4 “(ii) any distribution to which section
 5 408A(d)(3) applies.

6 “(D) TREATMENT OF DISTRIBUTIONS RE-
 7 CEIVED BY SPOUSE OF INDIVIDUAL.—For pur-
 8 poses of determining distributions received by
 9 an individual under subparagraph (A) for any
 10 taxable year, any distribution received by the
 11 spouse of such individual shall be treated as re-
 12 ceived by such individual if such individual and
 13 spouse file a joint return for such taxable year
 14 and for the taxable year during which the
 15 spouse receives the distribution.

16 “(e) ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME.—For purposes of
 17 this section, adjusted gross income shall be determined
 18 without regard to sections 911, 931, and 933.

19 “(f) INVESTMENT IN THE CONTRACT.—Notwith-
 20 standing any other provision of law, a qualified retirement
 21 savings contribution shall not fail to be included in deter-
 22 mining the investment in the contract for purposes of sec-
 23 tion 72 by reason of the credit under this section.”.

24 (b) CREDIT ALLOWED AGAINST REGULAR TAX AND
 25 ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM TAX.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (a) of section 26
 2 is amended by inserting “(other than the credit al-
 3 lowed by section 25C)” after “credits allowed by this
 4 subpart”.

5 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 25C,
 6 as added by subsection (a), is amended by inserting
 7 after subsection (f) the following new subsection:

8 “(g) LIMITATION BASED ON AMOUNT OF TAX.—The
 9 aggregate credit allowed by this section for the taxable
 10 year shall not exceed the sum of—

11 “(1) the taxpayer’s regular tax liability for the
 12 taxable year reduced by the sum of the credits al-
 13 lowed by sections 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 25A, and 25B,
 14 plus

15 “(2) the tax imposed by section 55 for such
 16 taxable year.”.

17 (c) ANNUAL REPORT.—The Comptroller General of
 18 the United States shall submit a report annually to the
 19 Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Rep-
 20 resentatives and the Committee on Finance of the Senate
 21 regarding the number of taxpayers receiving the credit al-
 22 lowed under section 25C of the Internal Revenue Code of
 23 1986, as added by subsection (a).

24 (d) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-
 25 tions for subpart A of part IV of subchapter A of chapter

1 1, as amended by section 302(b), is amended by inserting
 2 after the item relating to section 25B the following new
 3 item:

“Sec. 25C. Elective deferrals and IRA contributions by certain individuals.”.

4 (e) EFFECTIVE DATES.—The amendments made by
 5 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
 6 December 31, 2001.

7 **SEC. 802. CREDIT FOR QUALIFIED PENSION PLAN CON-**
 8 **TRIBUTIONS OF SMALL EMPLOYERS.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subpart D of part IV of sub-
 10 chapter A of chapter 1 (relating to business related cred-
 11 its), as amended by section 411(a), is amended by adding
 12 at the end the following new section:

13 **“SEC. 45F. SMALL EMPLOYER PENSION PLAN CONTRIBU-**
 14 **TIONS.**

15 “(a) GENERAL RULE.—For purposes of section 38,
 16 in the case of an eligible employer, the small employer pen-
 17 sion plan contribution credit determined under this section
 18 for any taxable year is an amount equal to 50 percent
 19 of the amount which would (but for subsection (f)(1)) be
 20 allowed as a deduction under section 404 for such taxable
 21 year for qualified employer contributions made to any
 22 qualified retirement plan on behalf of any employee who
 23 is not a highly compensated employee.

1 “(b) CREDIT LIMITED TO 3 YEARS.—The credit al-
2 lowable by this section shall be allowed only with respect
3 to the period of 3 taxable years beginning with the first
4 taxable year for which a credit is allowable with respect
5 to a plan under this section.

6 “(c) QUALIFIED EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION.—For
7 purposes of this section—

8 “(1) DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLANS.—In the
9 case of a defined contribution plan, the term ‘quali-
10 fied employer contribution’ means the amount of
11 nonelective and matching contributions to the plan
12 made by the employer on behalf of any employee
13 who is not a highly compensated employee to the ex-
14 tent such amount does not exceed 3 percent of such
15 employee’s compensation from the employer for the
16 year.

17 “(2) DEFINED BENEFIT PLANS.—In the case of
18 a defined benefit plan, the term ‘qualified employer
19 contribution’ means the amount of employer con-
20 tributions to the plan made on behalf of any em-
21 ployee who is not a highly compensated employee to
22 the extent that the accrued benefit of such employee
23 derived from employer contributions for the year
24 does not exceed the equivalent (as determined under
25 regulations prescribed by the Secretary and without

1 regard to contributions and benefits under the Social
 2 Security Act) of 3 percent of such employee’s com-
 3 pensation from the employer for the year.

4 “(d) QUALIFIED RETIREMENT PLAN.—

5 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘qualified retire-
 6 ment plan’ means any plan described in section
 7 401(a) which includes a trust exempt from tax
 8 under section 501(a) if the plan meets—

9 “(A) the contribution requirements of
 10 paragraph (2),

11 “(B) the vesting requirements of para-
 12 graph (3), and

13 “(C) the distributions requirements of
 14 paragraph (4).

15 “(2) CONTRIBUTION REQUIREMENTS.—

16 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The requirements of
 17 this paragraph are met if, under the plan—

18 “(i) the employer is required to make
 19 nonelective contributions of at least 1 per-
 20 cent of compensation (or the equivalent
 21 thereof in the case of a defined benefit
 22 plan) for each employee who is not a high-
 23 ly compensated employee who is eligible to
 24 participate in the plan, and

1 “(ii) allocations of nonelective em-
2 ployer contributions are either in equal dol-
3 lar amounts for all employees covered by
4 the plan or bear a uniform relationship to
5 the total compensation, or the basic or reg-
6 ular rate of compensation, of the employ-
7 ees covered by the plan.

8 “(B) COMPENSATION LIMITATION.—The
9 compensation taken into account under sub-
10 paragraph (A) for any year shall not exceed the
11 limitation in effect for such year under section
12 401(a)(17).

13 “(3) VESTING REQUIREMENTS.—The require-
14 ments of this paragraph are met if the plan satisfies
15 the requirements of subparagraph (A) or (B).

16 “(A) 3-YEAR VESTING.—A plan satisfies
17 the requirements of this subparagraph if an em-
18 ployee who has completed at least 3 years of
19 service has a nonforfeitable right to 100 percent
20 of the employee’s accrued benefit derived from
21 employer contributions.

22 “(B) 5-YEAR GRADED VESTING.—A plan
23 satisfies the requirements of this subparagraph
24 if an employee has a nonforfeitable right to a
25 percentage of the employee’s accrued benefit de-

1 rived from employer contributions determined
2 under the following table:

“Years of service:	The nonforfeitable percentage is:
1	20
2	40
3	60
4	80
5	100.

3 “(4) DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENTS.—In the
4 case of a profit-sharing or stock bonus plan, the re-
5 quirements of this paragraph are met if, under the
6 plan, qualified employer contributions are distribut-
7 able only as provided in section 401(k)(2)(B).

8 “(e) OTHER DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this
9 section—

10 “(1) ELIGIBLE EMPLOYER.—

11 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘eligible em-
12 ployer’ means, with respect to any year, an em-
13 ployer which has no more than 50 employees
14 who received at least \$5,000 of compensation
15 from the employer for the preceding year.

16 “(B) REQUIREMENT FOR NEW QUALIFIED
17 EMPLOYER PLANS.—Such term shall not in-
18 clude an employer if, during the 3-taxable year
19 period immediately preceding the 1st taxable
20 year for which the credit under this section is
21 otherwise allowable for a qualified employer
22 plan of the employer, the employer or any mem-

1 ber of any controlled group including the em-
2 ployer (or any predecessor of either) established
3 or maintained a qualified employer plan with
4 respect to which contributions were made, or
5 benefits were accrued, for substantially the
6 same employees as are in the qualified employer
7 plan.

8 “(2) HIGHLY COMPENSATED EMPLOYEE.—The
9 term ‘highly compensated employee’ has the mean-
10 ing given such term by section 414(q) (determined
11 without regard to section 414(q)(1)(B)(ii)).

12 “(f) SPECIAL RULES.—

13 “(1) DISALLOWANCE OF DEDUCTION.—No de-
14 duction shall be allowed for that portion of the quali-
15 fied employer contributions paid or incurred for the
16 taxable year which is equal to the credit determined
17 under subsection (a).

18 “(2) ELECTION NOT TO CLAIM CREDIT.—This
19 section shall not apply to a taxpayer for any taxable
20 year if such taxpayer elects to have this section not
21 apply for such taxable year.

22 “(3) AGGREGATION RULES.—All persons treat-
23 ed as a single employer under subsection (a) or (b)
24 of section 52, or subsection (n) or (o) of section 414,

1 shall be treated as one person. All eligible employer
 2 plans shall be treated as 1 eligible employer plan.

3 “(g) RECAPTURE OF CREDIT ON FORFEITED CON-
 4 TRIBUTIONS.—

5 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
 6 graph (2), if any accrued benefit which is forfeitable
 7 by reason of subsection (d)(3) is forfeited, the em-
 8 ployer’s tax imposed by this chapter for the taxable
 9 year in which the forfeiture occurs shall be increased
 10 by 35 percent of the employer contributions from
 11 which such benefit is derived to the extent such con-
 12 tributions were taken into account in determining
 13 the credit under this section.

14 “(2) REALLOCATED CONTRIBUTIONS.—Para-
 15 graph (1) shall not apply to any contribution which
 16 is reallocated by the employer under the plan to em-
 17 ployees who are not highly compensated employees.”.

18 (b) CREDIT ALLOWED AS PART OF GENERAL BUSI-
 19 NESS CREDIT.—Section 38(b) (defining current year busi-
 20 ness credit), as amended by section 411(b)(1), is amended
 21 by striking “plus” at the end of paragraph (13), by strik-
 22 ing the period at the end of paragraph (14) and inserting
 23 “, plus”, and by adding at the end the following new para-
 24 graph:

1 “(15) in the case of an eligible employer (as de-
 2 fined in section 45F(e)), the small employer pension
 3 plan contribution credit determined under section
 4 45F(a).”.

5 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

6 (1) Section 39(d), as amended by section
 7 411(b)(2), is amended by adding at the end the fol-
 8 lowing new paragraph:

9 “(11) NO CARRYBACK OF SMALL EMPLOYER
 10 PENSION PLAN CONTRIBUTION CREDIT BEFORE JAN-
 11 UARY 1, 2002.—No portion of the unused business
 12 credit for any taxable year which is attributable to
 13 the small employer pension plan contribution credit
 14 determined under section 45F may be carried back
 15 to a taxable year beginning before January 1,
 16 2002.”.

17 (2) Subsection (c) of section 196, as amended
 18 by section 411(b)(3), is amended by striking “and”
 19 at the end of paragraph (9), by striking the period
 20 at the end of paragraph (10) and inserting “, and”,
 21 and by adding at the end the following new para-
 22 graph:

23 “(11) the small employer pension plan contribu-
 24 tion credit determined under section 45F(a).”.

1 (3) The table of sections for subpart D of part
 2 IV of subchapter A of chapter 1, as amended by sec-
 3 tion 411(b)(4), is amended by adding at the end the
 4 following new item:

 “Sec. 45F. Small employer pension plan contributions.”.

5 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
 6 this section shall apply to contributions paid or incurred
 7 in taxable years beginning after December 31, 2001.

8 **SEC. 803. CREDIT FOR PENSION PLAN STARTUP COSTS OF**
 9 **SMALL EMPLOYERS.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subpart D of part IV of sub-
 11 chapter A of chapter 1 (relating to business related cred-
 12 its), as amended by section 802(a), is amended by adding
 13 at the end the following new section:

14 **“SEC. 45G. SMALL EMPLOYER PENSION PLAN STARTUP**
 15 **COSTS.**

16 “(a) GENERAL RULE.—For purposes of section 38,
 17 in the case of an eligible employer, the small employer pen-
 18 sion plan startup cost credit determined under this section
 19 for any taxable year is an amount equal to 50 percent
 20 of the qualified startup costs paid or incurred by the tax-
 21 payer during the taxable year.

22 “(b) DOLLAR LIMITATION.—The amount of the cred-
 23 it determined under this section for any taxable year shall
 24 not exceed—

1 “(1) \$500 for the first credit year and each of
2 the 2 taxable years immediately following the first
3 credit year, and

4 “(2) zero for any other taxable year.

5 “(c) ELIGIBLE EMPLOYER.—For purposes of this
6 section—

7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘eligible em-
8 ployer’ has the meaning given such term by section
9 408(p)(2)(C)(i).

10 “(2) REQUIREMENT FOR NEW QUALIFIED EM-
11 PLOYER PLANS.—Such term shall not include an
12 employer if, during the 3-taxable year period imme-
13 diately preceding the 1st taxable year for which the
14 credit under this section is otherwise allowable for a
15 qualified employer plan of the employer, the em-
16 ployer or any member of any controlled group in-
17 cluding the employer (or any predecessor of either)
18 established or maintained a qualified employer plan
19 with respect to which contributions were made, or
20 benefits were accrued, for substantially the same em-
21 ployees as are in the qualified employer plan.

22 “(d) OTHER DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this
23 section—

24 “(1) QUALIFIED STARTUP COSTS.—

1 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘qualified
2 startup costs’ means any ordinary and nec-
3 essary expenses of an eligible employer which
4 are paid or incurred in connection with—

5 “(i) the establishment or administra-
6 tion of an eligible employer plan, or

7 “(ii) the retirement-related education
8 of employees with respect to such plan.

9 “(B) PLAN MUST HAVE AT LEAST 1 PAR-
10 TICIPANT.—Such term shall not include any ex-
11 pense in connection with a plan that does not
12 have at least 1 employee eligible to participate
13 who is not a highly compensated employee.

14 “(2) ELIGIBLE EMPLOYER PLAN.—The term
15 ‘eligible employer plan’ means a qualified employer
16 plan within the meaning of section 4972(d).

17 “(3) FIRST CREDIT YEAR.—The term ‘first
18 credit year’ means—

19 “(A) the taxable year which includes the
20 date that the eligible employer plan to which
21 such costs relate becomes effective, or

22 “(B) at the election of the eligible em-
23 ployer, the taxable year preceding the taxable
24 year referred to in subparagraph (A).

1 “(e) SPECIAL RULES.—For purposes of this
2 section—

3 “(1) AGGREGATION RULES.—All persons treat-
4 ed as a single employer under subsection (a) or (b)
5 of section 52, or subsection (n) or (o) of section 414,
6 shall be treated as one person. All eligible employer
7 plans shall be treated as 1 eligible employer plan.

8 “(2) DISALLOWANCE OF DEDUCTION.—No de-
9 duction shall be allowed for that portion of the quali-
10 fied startup costs paid or incurred for the taxable
11 year which is equal to the credit determined under
12 subsection (a).

13 “(3) ELECTION NOT TO CLAIM CREDIT.—This
14 section shall not apply to a taxpayer for any taxable
15 year if such taxpayer elects to have this section not
16 apply for such taxable year.”.

17 (b) CREDIT ALLOWED AS PART OF GENERAL BUSI-
18 NESS CREDIT.—Section 38(b) (defining current year busi-
19 ness credit), as amended by section 802(b), is amended
20 by striking “plus” at the end of paragraph (14), by strik-
21 ing the period at the end of paragraph (15) and inserting
22 “, plus”, and by adding at the end the following new para-
23 graph:

24 “(16) in the case of an eligible employer (as de-
25 fined in section 45G(e)), the small employer pension

1 plan startup cost credit determined under section
 2 45G(a).”.

3 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

4 (1) Section 39(d), as amended by section
 5 802(c)(1), is amended by adding at the end the fol-
 6 lowing new paragraph:

7 “(12) NO CARRYBACK OF SMALL EMPLOYER
 8 PENSION PLAN STARTUP COST CREDIT BEFORE JAN-
 9 UARY 1, 2002.—No portion of the unused business
 10 credit for any taxable year which is attributable to
 11 the small employer pension plan startup cost credit
 12 determined under section 45G may be carried back
 13 to a taxable year beginning before January 1,
 14 2002.”.

15 (2) Subsection (c) of section 196, as amended
 16 by section 802(c)(2), is amended by striking “and”
 17 at the end of paragraph (10), by striking the period
 18 at the end of paragraph (11) and inserting “, and”,
 19 and by adding at the end the following new para-
 20 graph:

21 “(12) the small employer pension plan startup
 22 cost credit determined under section 45G(a).”.

23 (3) The table of sections for subpart D of part
 24 IV of subchapter A of chapter 1, as amended by sec-

1 tion 802(c)(3), is amended by adding at the end the
2 following new item:

“Sec. 45G. Small employer pension plan startup costs.”.

3 (d) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by
4 this section shall apply to costs paid or incurred in taxable
5 years beginning after December 31, 2001, with respect to
6 qualified employer plans established after such date.

7 **TITLE IX—TAX RELIEF FOR** 8 **ADOPTIVE PARENTS**

9 **SEC. 901. EXPANSION OF ADOPTION CREDIT.**

10 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—

11 (1) **ADOPTION CREDIT.**—Section 23(a)(1) (re-
12 lating to allowance of credit) is amended to read as
13 follows:

14 “(1) **IN GENERAL.**—In the case of an indi-
15 vidual, there shall be allowed as a credit against the
16 tax imposed by this chapter—

17 “(A) in the case of an adoption of a child
18 other than a child with special needs, the
19 amount of the qualified adoption expenses paid
20 or incurred by the taxpayer, and

21 “(B) in the case of an adoption of a child
22 with special needs, \$10,000.”.

23 (2) **ADOPTION ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS.**—Sec-
24 tion 137(a) (relating to adoption assistance pro-
25 grams) is amended to read as follows:

1 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Gross income of an employee
 2 does not include amounts paid or expenses incurred by the
 3 employer for adoption expenses in connection with the
 4 adoption of a child by an employee if such amounts are
 5 furnished pursuant to an adoption assistance program.
 6 The amount of the exclusion shall be—

7 “(1) in the case of an adoption of a child other
 8 than a child with special needs, the amount of the
 9 qualified adoption expenses paid or incurred by the
 10 taxpayer, and

11 “(2) in the case of an adoption of a child with
 12 special needs, \$10,000.”.

13 (b) DOLLAR LIMITATIONS.—

14 (1) DOLLAR AMOUNT OF ALLOWED EX-
 15 PENSES.—

16 (A) ADOPTION EXPENSES.—Section
 17 23(b)(1) (relating to allowance of credit) is
 18 amended—

19 (i) by striking “\$5,000” and inserting
 20 “\$10,000”,

21 (ii) by striking “(\$6,000, in the case
 22 of a child with special needs)”, and

23 (iii) by striking “subsection (a)” and
 24 inserting “subsection (a)(1)(A)”.

1 (B) ADOPTION ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS.—

2 Section 137(b)(1) (relating to dollar limitations
3 for adoption assistance programs) is amended—

4 (i) by striking “\$5,000” and inserting
5 “\$10,000”, and

6 (ii) by striking “(\$6,000, in the case
7 of a child with special needs)”, and

8 (iii) by striking “subsection (a)” and
9 inserting “subsection (a)(1)”.

10 (2) PHASE-OUT LIMITATION.—

11 (A) ADOPTION EXPENSES.—Clause (i) of
12 section 23(b)(2)(A) (relating to income limita-
13 tion) is amended by striking “\$75,000” and in-
14 serting “\$150,000”.

15 (B) ADOPTION ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS.—
16 Section 137(b)(2)(A) (relating to income limita-
17 tion) is amended by striking “\$75,000” and in-
18 serting “\$150,000”.

19 (c) YEAR CREDIT ALLOWED.—Section 23(a)(2) is
20 amended by adding at the end the following new flush sen-
21 tence:

22 “In the case of the adoption of a child with special
23 needs, the credit allowed under paragraph (1) shall
24 be allowed for the taxable year in which the adoption
25 becomes final.”.

1 (d) REPEAL OF SUNSET PROVISIONS.—

2 (1) CHILDREN WITHOUT SPECIAL NEEDS.—

3 Paragraph (2) of section 23(d) (relating to definition
4 of eligible child) is amended to read as follows:

5 “(2) ELIGIBLE CHILD.—The term ‘eligible
6 child’ means any individual who—

7 “(A) has not attained age 18, or

8 “(B) is physically or mentally incapable of
9 caring for himself.”.

10 (2) ADOPTION ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS.—Sec-
11 tion 137 (relating to adoption assistance programs)
12 is amended by striking subsection (f).

13 (e) ADJUSTMENT OF DOLLAR AND INCOME LIMITA-
14 TIONS FOR INFLATION.—

15 (1) ADOPTION CREDIT.—Section 23 is amended
16 by redesignating subsection (h) as subsection (i) and
17 by inserting after subsection (g) the following new
18 subsection:

19 “(h) ADJUSTMENTS FOR INFLATION.—In the case of
20 a taxable year beginning after December 31, 2002, each
21 of the dollar amounts in subsection (a)(1)(B) and para-
22 graphs (1) and (2)(A)(i) of subsection (b) shall be in-
23 creased by an amount equal to—

24 “(1) such dollar amount, multiplied by

1 “(2) the cost-of-living adjustment determined
 2 under section 1(f)(3) for the calendar year in which
 3 the taxable year begins, determined by substituting
 4 ‘calendar year 2001’ for ‘calendar year 1992’ in sub-
 5 paragraph (B) thereof.”.

6 (2) ADOPTION ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS.—Sec-
 7 tion 137, as amended by subsection (d), is amended
 8 by adding at the end the following new subsection:

9 “(f) ADJUSTMENTS FOR INFLATION.—In the case of
 10 a taxable year beginning after December 31, 2002, each
 11 of the dollar amounts in subsection (a)(2) and paragraphs
 12 (1) and (2)(A) of subsection (b) shall be increased by an
 13 amount equal to—

14 “(1) such dollar amount, multiplied by

15 “(2) the cost-of-living adjustment determined
 16 under section 1(f)(3) for the calendar year in which
 17 the taxable year begins, determined by substituting
 18 ‘calendar year 2001’ for ‘calendar year 1992’ in sub-
 19 paragraph (B) thereof.”.

20 (f) LIMITATION BASED ON AMOUNT OF TAX.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (c) of section 23
 22 is amended by striking “the limitation imposed” and
 23 all that follows through “1400C)” and inserting
 24 “the applicable tax limitation”.

1 (2) APPLICABLE TAX LIMITATION.—Subsection
 2 (d) of section 23 is amended by adding at the end
 3 the following new paragraph:

4 “(4) APPLICABLE TAX LIMITATION.—The term
 5 ‘applicable tax limitation’ means the sum of—

6 “(A) the taxpayer’s regular tax liability for
 7 the taxable year, reduced (but not below zero)
 8 by the sum of the credits allowed by sections
 9 21, 22, 24 (other than the amount of the in-
 10 crease under subsection (d) thereof), 25, and
 11 25A, and

12 “(B) the tax imposed by section 55 for
 13 such taxable year.”.

14 (3) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

15 (A) Subsection (a) of section 26 (relating
 16 to limitation based on amount of tax) is amend-
 17 ed by inserting “(other than section 23)” after
 18 “allowed by this subpart”.

19 (B) Paragraph (1) of section 53(b) (relat-
 20 ing to minimum tax credit) is amended by in-
 21 serting “reduced by the aggregate amount
 22 taken into account under section 23(d)(3)(B)
 23 for all such prior taxable years,” after “1986,”.

1 (g) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
2 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
3 December 31, 2001.

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