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S. 2106

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide capital gains treatment for certain self-created musical works.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. Bunning (for himself, Mr. Miller, Mr. Alexander, and Mr. Hatch) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Songwriters Capital
- 5 Gains Tax Equity Act".
- 6 SEC. 2. CAPITAL GAINS TREATMENT FOR CERTAIN SELF-
- 7 CREATED MUSICAL WORKS.
- 8 (a) In General.—Subsection (b) of section 1221 of
- 9 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to capital

- 1 asset defined) is amended by redesignating paragraph (3)
- 2 as paragraph (4) and by inserting after paragraph (2) the
- 3 following new paragraph:
- 4 "(3) Sale or exchange of self-created
- 5 MUSICAL WORKS.—At the election of the taxpayer,
- 6 paragraphs (1) and (3) of subsection (a) shall not
- 7 apply with respect to any sale or exchange of musi-
- 8 cal compositions or copyrights in musical works by
- 9 a taxpayer described in subsection (a)(3).".
- 10 (b) Limitation on Charitable Contributions.—
- 11 Subparagraph (A) of section 170(e)(1) of the Internal
- 12 Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by inserting "(deter-
- 13 mined without regard to section 1221(b)(3))" after "long-
- 14 term capital gain".
- 15 (c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
- 16 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
- 17 the date of the enactment of this Act.

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