H. R. 2363

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

May 17, 2007

Mr. Bishop of New York (for himself and Mr. Tom Davis of Virginia) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

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 - 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
 - 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
 - 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
 - 4 This Act may be cited as the "Generating Oppor-
 - 5 tunity by Forgiving Educational Debt for Service Act of
 - 6 2007".

1	SEC. 2. EXCLUSION FOR STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENTS BY
2	THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.
3	(a) Exclusion From Gross Income.—Section
4	108(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to
5	student loans) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
6	lowing:
7	"(5) Student loan repayments by fed-
8	ERAL GOVERNMENT.—In the case of an individual,
9	gross income does not include any payments made
10	by the Federal Government on behalf of such indi-
11	vidual under—
12	"(A)(i) section 5379 of title 5, United
13	States Code; or
14	"(ii) any other similar Federal program for
15	its employees; or
16	"(B) section $510(e)(2)$, chapter 109 , or
17	chapter 1609 of title 10, United States Code.".
18	(b) Exclusion From Wages.—
19	(1) In General.—Section 3121(a) of such
20	Code (defining wages) is amended—
21	(A) in paragraph (21), by striking "or" at
22	the end;
23	(B) in paragraph (22), by striking the pe-
24	riod at the end and inserting "; or"; and
25	(C) by inserting after paragraph (22) the
26	following:

1	"(23) any payment excluded from gross income
2	under section 108(f)(5) (relating to student loan re-
3	payments by the Federal Government).".
4	(2) Social Security act.—Section 209(a) of
5	the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 409(a)) is
6	amended by adding at the end the following:
7	"(20) Any payment excluded from gross income
8	under section 108(f)(5) of the Internal Revenue
9	Code of 1986 (relating to student loan repayments
10	by Federal Government).".
11	(c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
12	this section shall apply to payments made on or after the
13	date of enactment of this Act in taxable years ending after
14	such date.

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