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To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make the research credit permanent, increase expensing for small businesses, reduce corporate tax rates, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 19, 2009

Mr. CARNEY (for himself and Mr. GERLACH) 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 “Made in America Act
5 of 2009”.

1 **SEC. 2. RESEARCH CREDIT MADE PERMANENT.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 41 of the Internal Rev-
 3 enue Code of 1986 (relating to credit for increasing re-
 4 search activities) is amended by striking subsection (h).

5 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Paragraph (1) of
 6 section 45C(b) of such Code is amended by striking sub-
 7 paragraph (D).

8 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
 9 this section shall apply to amounts paid or incurred after
 10 December 31, 2008 and to taxable years beginning after
 11 such date.

12 **SEC. 3. INCREASE IN RATE OF ALTERNATIVE SIMPLIFIED**
 13 **CREDIT.**

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subparagraph (A) of section
 15 41(c)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating
 16 to election of alternative simplified credit) is amended by
 17 striking “14 percent (12 percent in the case of taxable
 18 years ending before January 1, 2009)” and inserting “20
 19 percent”.

20 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
 21 this section shall apply to taxable years ending after De-
 22 cember 31, 2008.

23 **SEC. 4. REPEAL THE ALTERNATIVE INCREMENTAL CREDIT.**

24 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 41(c) of the Internal Rev-
 25 enue Code of 1986, as amended by section 3, is amended
 26 by striking paragraph (4) and by redesignating para-

1 graphs (5), (6), and (7) as paragraphs (4), (5), and (6),
 2 respectively.

3 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section
 4 41(c)(4)(C) of such Code, as redesignated by subsection
 5 (a), is amended by striking the last sentence.

6 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
 7 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
 8 December 31, 2008.

9 **SEC. 5. INCREASED SECTION 179 EXPENSING MADE PERMA-**
 10 **NENT.**

11 (a) DOLLAR LIMITATION.—Paragraph (1) of section
 12 179(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended
 13 by striking “\$25,000 (\$125,000 in the case of taxable
 14 years beginning after 2006 and before 2011)” and insert-
 15 ing “\$250,000”.

16 (b) PHASEOUT THRESHOLD.—Paragraph (2) of sec-
 17 tion 179(b) of such Code is amended by striking
 18 “\$200,000 (\$500,000 in the case of taxable years begin-
 19 ning after 2006 and before 2011)” and inserting
 20 “\$800,000”.

21 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

22 (1) Subparagraph (A) of section 179(b)(5) of
 23 such Code is amended—

24 (A) by striking “and before 2011, the
 25 \$125,000 and \$500,000 amounts” and insert-

1 ing “, the \$250,000 and \$800,000 amounts”,
 2 and

3 (B) by striking “calendar year 2006” and
 4 inserting “calendar year 2007”.

5 (2) Section 179(b) of such Code, as amended by
 6 section 1202 of the American Recovery and Rein-
 7 vestment Act of 2009, is amended by striking para-
 8 graph (7).

9 (3) Paragraph (2) of section 179(c) of such
 10 Code is amended by striking “and before 2011”.

11 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
 12 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
 13 December 31, 2008.

14 **SEC. 6. REDUCTION IN TOP CORPORATE MARGINAL RATE.**

15 (a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (1) of section 11(b) of
 16 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to amount
 17 of tax) is amended—

18 (1) by inserting “and” at the end of subpara-
 19 graph (B),

20 (2) by striking subparagraphs (C) and (D) and
 21 inserting the following:

22 “(C) 30 percent of so much of the taxable
 23 income as exceeds \$75,000.”, and

24 (3) by striking “\$11,750” and all that follows
 25 and inserting “\$9,125.”

1 (b) PERSONAL SERVICE CORPORATIONS.—Para-
2 graph (2) of section 11(b) of such Code is amended by
3 striking “35 percent” and inserting “30 percent”.

4 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Paragraphs (1)
5 and (2) of section 1445(e) of such Code are each amended
6 by striking “35 percent” and inserting “30 percent”.

7 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
8 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
9 December 31, 2008, except that the amendments made
10 by subsection (c) shall take effect on the date of the enact-
11 ment of this Act.

12 **SEC. 7. STUDIES.**

13 (a) WORKPLACE EMPLOYEE HEALTH CARE FACILI-
14 TIES.—The Comptroller General of the United States
15 shall conduct a study of the impact of workplace employee
16 health care facilities on employee health and productivity.
17 The results of such study shall be submitted to the Con-
18 gress within 1 year after the date of the enactment of this
19 Act.

20 (b) RETENTION OF STUDENTS IN RURAL COMMU-
21 NITIES.—The Comptroller General of the United States
22 shall conduct a study of the best practices for encouraging
23 college graduates from rural areas to return to those areas
24 after graduation. The results of such study shall be sub-

1 mitted to the Congress within 1 year after the date of the
2 enactment of this Act.

