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To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow taxpayers to designate overpayments of tax as contributions to the homeless veterans assistance fund.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. ISRAEL (for himself, Mr. MURPHY of Pennsylvania, Mr. FILNER, Mr. BISHOP of New York, Mr. GRIMM, Mr. TOWNS, and Mr. BOSWELL) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

- To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow taxpayers to designate overpayments of tax as contributions to the homeless veterans assistance fund.
- 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. DESIGNATION OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE

HOMELESS VETERANS ASSISTANCE FUND.

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5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter A of chapter 61 of the
6 Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at
7 the end the following new part:

"Sec. 6098. Contributions to the homeless veterans assistance fund.

3 "SEC. 6098. CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE HOMELESS VETERANS 4 ASSISTANCE FUND.

5 "(a) IN GENERAL.—Every individual, with respect to 6 the taxpayer's return for the taxable year of the tax im-7 posed by chapter 1, may designate that a specified portion 8 (not less than \$1) of any overpayment of tax shall be paid 9 over to the Homeless Veterans Assistance Fund in accord-10 ance with the provisions of section 9512.

11 "(b) MANNER AND TIME OF DESIGNATION.—A des12 ignation under subsection (a) may be made with respect
13 to any taxable year—

14 "(1) at the time of filing the return of the tax15 imposed by chapter 1 for such taxable year, or

"(2) at any other time (after such time of filing) specified in regulations prescribed by the Secretary.

19 Such designation shall be made in such manner as the 20 Secretary prescribes by regulations except that, if such 21 designation is made at the time of filing the return of the 22 tax imposed by chapter 1 for such taxable year, such des-23 ignation shall be made either on the first page of the re-24 turn or on the page bearing the taxpayer's signature.

"(c) Overpayments Treated as Refunded.—For 1 2 purposes of this title, any portion of an overpayment of tax designated under subsection (a) shall be treated as— 3 "(1) being refunded to the taxpayer as of the 4 5 last date prescribed for filing the return of tax im-6 posed by chapter 1 (determined without regard to 7 extensions) or, if later, the date the return is filed, 8 and "(2) a contribution made by such taxpayer on 9 10 such date to the United States.". 11 (b) Homeless Veterans Assistance Fund.— 12 Subchapter A of chapter 98 of the Internal Revenue Code 13 of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the following 14 new section:

15 "SEC. 9512. HOMELESS VETERANS ASSISTANCE FUND.

"(a) CREATION OF TRUST FUND.—There is established in the Treasury of the United States a trust fund
to be known as the 'Homeless Veterans Assistance Fund',
consisting of such amounts as may be appropriated or
credited to such fund as provided in this section or section
9602(b).

"(b) TRANSFERS TO TRUST FUND.—There are hereby appropriated to the Homeless Veterans Assistance
Fund amounts equivalent to the amounts designated
under section 6098.

1 "(c) EXPENDITURES.—

2 "(1) IN GENERAL.—Amounts in the Homeless 3 Veterans Assistance Fund shall be available, as pro-4 vided in appropriation Acts, to supplement funds ap-5 propriated to the Department of Veterans Affairs, 6 the Department of Housing and Urban Develop-7 ment, and the Department of Labor Veterans Em-8 ployment and Training Service for the purpose of 9 providing services to homeless veterans.

"(2) ALLOCATION OF DISTRIBUTION.—Funds
made available under paragraph (1) shall be allocated in proportion to the funding for homeless veterans programs administered by the Department of
Veterans Affairs, the Department of Housing and
Urban Development, and the Department of Labor
Veterans Employment and Training Service.

"(3) EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS.—The Department of Veterans Affairs, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and the Department of
Labor Veterans Employment and Training Service
may obligate funds to support any homeless veteran
program authorized under title 38, United States
Code.

24 "(d) PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL BUDGET INFORMA-25 TION.—Beginning with the President's annual budget sub-

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mission for fiscal year 2013 and every year thereafter, the
 Department of Veterans Affairs, the Department of Hous ing and Urban Development, and Department of Labor
 shall include a description of the use of funds from the
 Homeless Veterans Assistance Fund from the previous fis cal year and the proposed use of such funds for the next
 fiscal year.".

8 (c) CLERICAL AMENDMENTS.—

9 (1) The table of parts for subchapter A of chap-10 ter 61 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is 11 amended by adding at the end the following new 12 item:

13 **"PART IX—CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE HOMELESS**

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VETERANS ASSISTANCE FUND".

(2) The table of sections for subchapter A of
chapter 98 of such Code is amended by adding at
the end the following new item:

"Sec. 9512. Homeless Veterans Assistance Fund.".

18 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
19 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
20 the date of the enactment of this Act.

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