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# H. R. 4199

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 16, 2012

Mr. RIGELL introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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## 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 “Closing Corporate Jet  
5       Tax Loopholes to Employ Veterans Act of 2012” or as  
6       the “Jets for Vets Act of 2012”.

1 **SEC. 2. GENERAL AVIATION AIRCRAFT TREATED AS 7-YEAR**  
2 **PROPERTY.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subparagraph (C) of section  
4 168(e)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating  
5 to classification of certain property) is amended by strik-  
6 ing “and” at the end of clause (iv), by redesignating clause  
7 (v) as clause (vi), and by inserting after clause (iv) the  
8 following new clause:

9 “(v) any general aviation aircraft,  
10 and”.

11 (b) CLASS LIFE.—Paragraph (3) of section 168(g)  
12 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by in-  
13 serting after subparagraph (E) the following new subpara-  
14 graph:

15 “(F) GENERAL AVIATION AIRCRAFT.—In  
16 the case of any general aviation aircraft, the re-  
17 covery period used for purposes of paragraph  
18 (2) shall be 12 years.”.

19 (c) GENERAL AVIATION AIRCRAFT.—Subsection (i)  
20 of section 168 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is  
21 amended by inserting after paragraph (19) the following  
22 new paragraph:

23 “(20) GENERAL AVIATION AIRCRAFT.—The  
24 term ‘general aviation aircraft’ means any airplane  
25 or helicopter (including airframes and engines) not  
26 used in commercial or contract carrying of pas-

1       sengers or freight, but which primarily engages in  
 2       the carrying of passengers.”.

3       (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall be effec-  
 4       tive for property placed in service after December 31,  
 5       2012.

6       **SEC. 3. INCREASE IN WORK OPPORTUNITY TAX CREDIT**  
 7                               **FOR VETERANS.**

8       (a) IN GENERAL.—In the case of any taxable year  
 9       beginning after December 31, 2011, each of the specified  
 10      veteran WOTC dollar amount limitations shall be in-  
 11      creased by the corporate jet loophole savings amount with  
 12      respect to such limitation.

13      (b) SPECIFIED VETERAN WOTC DOLLAR AMOUNT  
 14      LIMITATION.—For purposes of this section, the term  
 15      “specified veteran WOTC dollar amount limitation”  
 16      means each of the \$12,000, \$14,000, and \$24,000  
 17      amounts contained in section 51(b)(3) of the Internal Rev-  
 18      enue Code of 1986.

19      (c) CORPORATE JET LOOPHOLE SAVINGS  
 20      AMOUNT.—For purposes of this section, the term “cor-  
 21      porate jet loophole savings amount” means, with respect  
 22      to each specified veteran WOTC dollar amount limitation,  
 23      the amount obtained by multiplying such limitation by  
 24      such percentage as the Secretary of the Treasury (or his  
 25      designee) determines will result in an aggregate decrease

1 in Federal revenue pursuant to this section which is equal  
2 to the aggregate increase in Federal revenue which the  
3 Secretary (or his designee) determines will result pursuant  
4 to section 1.

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