

114TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. R. 4541

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 11, 2016

Mr. BEYER 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 “Save Teachers of  
5 Adults from Paying out of Their Livelihood for Education  
6 Resources Act of 2016” or the “STAPLER Act of 2016”.

1 **SEC. 2. ELIGIBLE EDUCATOR DEDUCTION ALLOWED FOR**  
2 **INDIVIDUALS PROVIDING ADULT EDU-**  
3 **CATION.**

4 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 62(d)(1)(A) of the Inter-  
5 nal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking the pe-  
6 riod at the end and inserting the following: “or an indi-  
7 vidual who provides adult education, as defined in section  
8 203 of the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act (29  
9 U.S.C. 3272), for at least 250 hours during such taxable  
10 year.”.

11 (b) **CONFORMING AMENDMENT.**—Section  
12 62(a)(2)(D) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is  
13 amended in the heading by striking “ELEMENTARY AND  
14 SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS” and inserting “ELIGIBLE  
15 EDUCATORS”.

16 (c) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment made by  
17 subsection (a) shall apply to taxable years beginning after  
18 December 31, 2015.

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