

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 516

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reduce the mortgage interest deduction relating to acquisition indebtedness for certain taxpayers.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 13, 2017

Mr. ELLISON 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 “Tax Benefit for Home-
5 ownership Clarification Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. REDUCTION IN LIMITATION ON MORTGAGE INTER-**
2 **EST DEDUCTION RELATING TO ACQUISITION**
3 **INDEBTEDNESS FOR CERTAIN TAXPAYERS.**

4 (a) ACQUISITION INDEBTEDNESS.—Clause (ii) of sec-
5 tion 163(h)(3)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986
6 is amended to read as follows:

7 “(ii) LIMITATION.—The aggregate
8 amount treated as acquisition indebtedness
9 for any period shall not exceed—

10 “(I) \$1,000,000 in the case of a
11 joint return (\$500,000 in the case of
12 a married individual filing a separate
13 return), and

14 “(II) the applicable amount in
15 any other case.

16 “(iii) APPLICABLE AMOUNT.—For
17 purposes of clause (ii)(II), the applicable
18 amount is as follows:

“For taxable years—	The applicable amount is—
Beginning in calendar year 2018	\$900,000
Beginning in calendar year 2019	\$800,000
Beginning in calendar year 2020	\$700,000
Beginning in calendar year 2021	\$600,000
Beginning in or after calendar year 2022	\$500,000.”.

1 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
2 subsection (a) shall apply to amounts paid or incurred
3 after December 31, 2017.

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