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H. R. 1601

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend certain expiring provisions.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

A BILL

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend certain expiring provisions.

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; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This Act may be cited as the
5 “The Tax Cuts for America Act of 2011”.

6 (b) **TABLE OF CONTENTS.**—The table of contents for
7 this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; Table of contents.

**TITLE I—PROVISIONS RELATING TO MEMBERS OF ARMED
FORCES**

Sec. 101. Permanent extension of employer wage credit for employees who are active duty members of the Uniformed Services.

Sec. 102. Treatment of military basic housing allowances with respect to qualified residential rental projects.

TITLE II—PROVISIONS RELATING TO EDUCATION TAX BENEFITS

Sec. 201. Enhanced charitable deduction for contributions of book inventories to public schools made permanent.

Sec. 202. Deduction for certain expenses of elementary and secondary school teachers made permanent.

Sec. 203. Exclusion for employer-provided educational assistance made permanent.

Sec. 204. Deduction for qualified tuition and related expenses made permanent.

Sec. 205. Elimination of 60-month limit and increase in income limitation on student loan interest deduction made permanent.

TITLE III—STATE AND LOCAL SALES TAX DEDUCTION

Sec. 301. State and local sales tax deduction made permanent.

1 **TITLE I—PROVISIONS RELATING**
 2 **TO MEMBERS OF ARMED**
 3 **FORCES**

4 **SEC. 101. PERMANENT EXTENSION OF EMPLOYER WAGE**
 5 **CREDIT FOR EMPLOYEES WHO ARE ACTIVE**
 6 **DUTY MEMBERS OF THE UNIFORMED SERV-**
 7 **ICES.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 45P of the Internal Rev-
 9 enue Code of 1986 is amended by striking subsection (f).

10 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
 11 this section shall apply to payments made after December
 12 31, 2011.

1 **SEC. 102. TREATMENT OF MILITARY BASIC HOUSING AL-**
2 **LOWANCES WITH RESPECT TO QUALIFIED**
3 **RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROJECTS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (b) of section 3005 of
5 the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008 is
6 amended to read as follows:

7 “(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
8 this section shall apply to determinations made after the
9 date of the enactment of this Act.”.

10 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
11 this section shall take effect as if included in the enact-
12 ment of section 3005 of the Housing and Economic Recov-
13 ery Act of 2008.

14 **TITLE II—PROVISIONS RELAT-**
15 **ING TO EDUCATION TAX BEN-**
16 **EFITS**

17 **SEC. 201. ENHANCED CHARITABLE DEDUCTION FOR CON-**
18 **TRIBUTIONS OF BOOK INVENTORIES TO PUB-**
19 **LIC SCHOOLS MADE PERMANENT.**

20 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subparagraph (D) of section
21 170(e)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amend-
22 ed by striking clause (iv).

23 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
24 this section shall apply to contributions made after the
25 date of the enactment of this Act.

1 **SEC. 202. DEDUCTION FOR CERTAIN EXPENSES OF ELE-**
2 **MENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACH-**
3 **ERS MADE PERMANENT.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subparagraph (D) of section
5 62(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended
6 by striking “In the case of taxable years” and all that
7 follows through “the deductions” and inserting “The de-
8 ductions”.

9 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
10 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
11 December 31, 2011.

12 **SEC. 203. EXCLUSION FOR EMPLOYER-PROVIDED EDU-**
13 **CATIONAL ASSISTANCE MADE PERMANENT.**

14 Title IX of the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Rec-
15 onciliation Act of 2001 shall not apply to section 411 of
16 such Act, and the amendments made thereby.

17 **SEC. 204. DEDUCTION FOR QUALIFIED TUITION AND RE-**
18 **LATED EXPENSES MADE PERMANENT.**

19 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 222 of the Internal Rev-
20 enue Code of 1986 is amended by striking subsection (e).

21 (b) NOT SUBJECT TO EGTRRA SUNSET.—Title IX
22 of the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act
23 of 2001 shall not apply to section 431 of such Act, and
24 the amendments made thereby.

1 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
2 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
3 December 31, 2011.

4 **SEC. 205. ELIMINATION OF 60-MONTH LIMIT AND INCREASE**
5 **IN INCOME LIMITATION ON STUDENT LOAN**
6 **INTEREST DEDUCTION MADE PERMANENT.**

7 Title IX of the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Rec-
8 onciliation Act of 2001 shall not apply to section 412 of
9 such Act, and the amendments made thereby.

10 **TITLE III—STATE AND LOCAL**
11 **SALES TAX DEDUCTION**

12 **SEC. 301. STATE AND LOCAL SALES TAX DEDUCTION MADE**
13 **PERMANENT.**

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (5) of section 164(b)
15 is amended by striking subparagraph (I).

16 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
17 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
18 December 31, 2011.

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