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# H. R. 9984

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permit qualified business trade expenses to be treated as qualified higher education expenses for purposes of 529 accounts.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. PEREZ 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. QUALIFIED BUSINESS TRADE EXPENSES**  
4 **TREATED AS QUALIFIED HIGHER EDUCATION**  
5 **EXPENSES FOR PURPOSES OF 529 ACCOUNTS.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 529(e)(3) of the Internal  
7 Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end  
8 the following new subparagraph:

1                   “(C) QUALIFIED BUSINESS TRADE EX-  
 2                   PENSES.—The term ‘qualified higher education  
 3                   expenses’ includes qualified business trade ex-  
 4                   penses (as defined in subsection (f)).”.

5           (b) QUALIFIED BUSINESS TRADE EXPENSES.—Sec-  
 6           tion 529 is amended by redesignating subsection (f) as  
 7           subsection (g) and by inserting after subsection (e) the  
 8           following new subsection:

9           “(f) QUALIFIED BUSINESS TRADE EXPENSES.—For  
 10           purposes of this section—

11                   “(1) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘qualified post  
 12                   business trade expenses’ means amounts paid by the  
 13                   designated beneficiary for specified business prop-  
 14                   erty used by the designated beneficiary in a qualified  
 15                   trade field.

16                   “(2) SPECIFIED BUSINESS PROPERTY.—The  
 17                   term ‘specified business property’ means tangible  
 18                   property (other than buildings) which is of a char-  
 19                   acter subject to the allowance for depreciation.

20                   “(3) QUALIFIED TRADE FIELD.—The term  
 21                   ‘qualified trade field’ means any field which is de-  
 22                   scribed by one of the following National industry  
 23                   codes of the North American Industry Classification  
 24                   System: 113110, 1113210, 113310, 114111,  
 25                   114112, 114119, 114210, 115310, 236115, 236116,

1       236117, 236118, 236210, 236220, 237110, 237120,  
2       237130, 237210, 237310, 237990, 238110, 238120,  
3       238130, 238140, 238150, 238160, 238170, 238190,  
4       238210, 238220, 238290, 238310, 238320, 238330,  
5       238340, 238350, 238390, 238910, 238990, 811111,  
6       811114, 811198, 811210, 811310, 811411, 811412,  
7       811420, 811430, or 811490.”.

8       (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
9 this section shall apply to expenses paid in taxable years  
10 beginning after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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