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115TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. _____

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent certain provisions of Public Law 115–97, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. MITCHELL introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

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 Cuts and Jobs
5 Middle Class Enhancement Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXCLUSION OF 2018 BONUSES FROM GROSS IN-**
2 **COME.**

3 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Gross income shall not include
4 amounts received by an individual as a bonus after Decem-
5 ber 22, 2017, and before January 1, 2019.

6 (b) **LIMITATION.**—The amount of gain excluded from
7 gross income under subsection (a) with respect to an indi-
8 vidual shall not exceed \$5,000.

9 (c) **BONUS DEFINED.**—For purposes of this section,
10 the term “bonus” means amounts paid to an employee
11 other than amounts obligated under an employment con-
12 tract.

13 **SEC. 3. CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF PUBLIC LAW 115-97 MADE**
14 **PERMANENT.**

15 Any provision of subtitle A or B of Public Law 115-
16 97, or any amendment made by such a provision, that ter-
17 minates on December 31, 2025, shall not terminate on
18 such date.

19 **SEC. 4. INCREASE IN STANDARD DEDUCTION.**

20 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 63(c)(7) of the Internal
21 Revenue Code of 1986 is amended—

22 (1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “and” at
23 the end of clause (i), by striking “\$12,000” in
24 clause (ii) and inserting “\$13,000”, by striking the
25 period at the end of clause (ii) and inserting “,

1 and”, and by adding at the end the following new
2 clause:

3 “(iii) by substituting ‘\$26,000’ for
4 ‘200 percent of the dollar amount in effect
5 under subparagraph (C) for the taxable
6 year’”, and

7 (2) in subparagraph (B)(ii), by striking “the
8 \$18,000 and \$12,000 amounts” and inserting “the
9 dollar amounts”.

10 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
11 this section shall take effect as if included in the enact-
12 ment section 11021 of Public Law 115–97.

13 **SEC. 5. REDUCTION IN MEDICAL EXPENSE DEDUCTION**
14 **FLOOR.**

15 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 213 of the Internal Rev-
16 enue Code of 1986 is amended—

17 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “10 percent”
18 and inserting “7.5 percent”, and

19 (2) by striking subsection (f).

20 (b) MINIMUM TAX PREFERENCE NOT TO APPLY.—
21 Section 56(b)(1) is amended by striking subparagraph
22 (B).

23 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
24 this section shall take effect as if included in the enact-
25 ment of section 11027 of Public Law 115–97.

1 **SEC. 6. INCREASE IN REFUNDABLE PORTION OF THE**
2 **CHILD TAX CREDIT.**

3 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 24 of the Internal Rev-
4 enue Code of 1986 is amended—

5 (1) in subsection (d)(1)(A), by inserting “, sub-
6 section (h)(4),” after “this subsection”, and

7 (2) in subsection (h), by striking paragraph (5)
8 and redesignating paragraphs (6) and (7) as para-
9 graph (5) and (6), respectively.

10 (b) **CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**—Paragraphs (1)
11 and (4)(C) of section 24(h) of the Internal Revenue Code
12 of 1986 are each amended by striking “(7)” and inserting
13 “(6)”.

14 (c) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by
15 this section shall take effect as if included in the enact-
16 ment of section 11022 of Public Law 115–97.