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To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to promote the establishment
and growth of small businesses.

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Mr. SMITH of Missouri introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
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A BILL

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to promote
the establishment and growth of small businesses.

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, ETC.**

4 *(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the*
 5 *“Small Business Jobs Act”.*

6 *(b) AMENDMENT OF 1986 CODE.—Except as otherwise*
 7 *expressly provided, whenever in this Act an amendment or*
 8 *repeal is expressed in terms of an amendment to, or repeal*
 9 *of, a section or other provision, the reference shall be consid-*
 10 *ered to be made to a section or other provision of the Inter-*
 11 *nal Revenue Code of 1986.*

12 *(c) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for*
 13 *this Act is as follows:*

Sec. 1. *Short title; table of contents, etc.*

Sec. 2. *Increase in threshold for requiring information reporting with respect to*
certain payees.

Sec. 3. *Restoration of reporting rule for third party network transactions.*

Sec. 4. *Modifications to exclusion for gain from qualified small business stock.*

Sec. 5. *Increase in limitations on expensing of depreciable business assets.*

Sec. 6. *Establishment of special rules for capital gains invested in rural oppor-*
tunity zones.

Sec. 7. *Reporting on qualified opportunity funds and qualified rural opportunity*
funds.

14 **SEC. 2. INCREASE IN THRESHOLD FOR REQUIRING INFOR-**
 15 **MATION REPORTING WITH RESPECT TO CER-**
 16 **TAIN PAYEES.**

17 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Sections 6041(a) is amended by*
 18 *striking “\$600” and inserting “\$5,000”.*

19 *(b) INFLATION ADJUSTMENT.—Section 6041 is amend-*
 20 *ed by adding at the end the following new subsection:*

1 “(h) *INFLATION ADJUSTMENT.*—In the case of any cal-
2 endar year after 2024, the dollar amount in subsection (a)
3 shall be increased by an amount equal to—

4 “(1) such dollar amount, multiplied by
5 “(2) the cost-of-living adjustment determined
6 under section 1(f)(3) for such calendar year, deter-
7 mined by substituting ‘calendar year 2023’ for ‘cal-
8 endar year 2016’ in subparagraph (A)(ii) thereof.

9 If any increase under the preceding sentence is not a mul-
10 tiple of \$100, such increase shall be rounded to the nearest
11 multiple of \$100.”.

12 (c) *APPLICATION TO REPORTING ON REMUNERATION*
13 *FOR SERVICES AND DIRECT SALES.*—Section 6041A is
14 amended—

15 (1) in subsection (a)(2), by striking “is \$600 or
16 more” and inserting “equals or exceeds the dollar
17 amount in effect for such calendar year under section
18 6041(a)”, and

19 (2) in subsection (b)(1)(B), by striking “is
20 \$5,000 or more” and inserting “equals or exceeds the
21 dollar amount in effect for such calendar year under
22 section 6041(a)”.

23 (d) *APPLICATION TO BACKUP WITHHOLDING.*—Sec-
24 tion 3406(b)(6) is amended—

1 (1) by striking “\$600” in subparagraph (A) and
2 inserting “the dollar amount in effect for such cal-
3 endar year under section 6041(a)”, and

4 (2) by striking “ONLY WHERE AGGREGATE FOR
5 CALENDAR YEAR IS \$600 OR MORE” in the heading
6 and inserting “ONLY IF IN EXCESS OF THRESHOLD”.

7 (e) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

8 (1) The heading of section 6041(a) is amended
9 by striking “OF \$600 OR MORE” and inserting “EX-
10 CEEDING THRESHOLD”.

11 (2) Section 6041(a) is amended by striking “tax-
12 able year” and inserting “calendar year”.

13 (f) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this
14 section shall apply with respect to payments made after De-
15 cember 31, 2023.

16 **SEC. 3. RESTORATION OF REPORTING RULE FOR THIRD
17 PARTY NETWORK TRANSACTIONS.**

18 (a) DE MINIMIS EXCEPTION FOR THIRD PARTY SET-
19 TLEMENT ORGANIZATIONS.—Section 6050W(e) is amended
20 to read as follows:

21 “(e) EXCEPTION FOR DE MINIMIS PAYMENTS BY
22 THIRD PARTY SETTLEMENT ORGANIZATIONS.—A third
23 party settlement organization shall be required to report
24 any information under subsection (a) with respect to third

1 party network transactions of any participating payee only

2 if—

3 “(1) the amount which would otherwise be re-
4 ported under subsection (a)(2) with respect to such
5 transactions exceeds \$20,000, and

6 “(2) the aggregate number of such transactions
7 exceeds 200.”.

8 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment made by this
9 section shall apply to returns for calendar years beginning
10 after December 31, 2021.

11 **SEC. 4. MODIFICATIONS TO EXCLUSION FOR GAIN FROM**
12 **QUALIFIED SMALL BUSINESS STOCK.**

13 (a) **PHASED INCREASE IN EXCLUSION FOR GAIN FROM**
14 **QUALIFIED SMALL BUSINESS STOCK.**—

15 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 1202(a)(1) is amend-
16 ed—

17 (A) by striking “50 percent” and inserting
18 “the applicable percentage”, and

19 (B) by striking “held for more than 5
20 years” and inserting “held for at least 3 years”.

21 (2) **APPLICABLE PERCENTAGE.**—Section 1202(a)
22 is amended by adding at the end the following new
23 paragraph:

24 “(5) **APPLICABLE PERCENTAGE.**—Except as pro-
25 vided in paragraphs (3) and (4), the applicable per-

1 centage under paragraph (1) shall be determined
 2 under the following table:

“Years stock held:	Applicable percentage:
3 years	50%
4 years	75%
5 years or more	100%”.

3 (3) *CONTINUED TREATMENT AS NOT ITEM OF
 4 TAX PREFERENCE.—*

5 (A) *IN GENERAL.—Section 57(a)(7) is
 6 amended by striking “An amount” and inserting
 7 “In the case of stock acquired on or before the
 8 date of the enactment of the Creating Small
 9 Business Jobs Act of 2010, an amount”.*

10 (B) *CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section
 11 1202(a)(4) is amended—*

12 (i) *by striking “; and” at the end of
 13 subparagraph (B) and inserting a period,
 14 and*
 15 (ii) *by striking subparagraph (C).*

16 (4) *OTHER CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—*

17 (A) *Section 1202(a)(4) is amended by in-
 18 serting “and before the date of the enactment of
 19 the Small Business Jobs Act” after “Act of
 20 2010”.*

21 (B) *Paragraphs (3) and (4) of section
 22 1202(a) are each amended by inserting “held for*

1 *more than 5 years and” after “In the case of*
2 *qualified small business stock”.*

3 *(C) Section 1202(a)(3)(A) of such Code is*
4 *amended to read as follows:*

5 *“(A) the applicable percentage under para-*
6 *graph (1) shall be 75 percent, and”;*

7 *(D) Section 1202(a)(4)(A) is amended to*
8 *read as follows:*

9 *“(A) the applicable percentage under para-*
10 *graph (1) shall be 100 percent, and”.*

11 *(E) Section 1202(b)(2) is amended by strik-*
12 *ing “more than 5 years” and inserting “at least*
13 *3 years”.*

14 *(F) Section 1202(g)(2)(A) is amended by*
15 *striking “more than 5 years” and inserting “at*
16 *least 3 years”.*

17 *(G) Section 1202(j)(1)(A) is amended by*
18 *striking “more than 5 years” and inserting “at*
19 *least 3 years”.*

20 *(b) TACKING HOLDING PERIOD OF CONVERTIBLE*
21 *DEBT INSTRUMENTS.—*

22 *(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 1202(f) is amended—*
23 *(A) by redesignating paragraphs (1) and*
24 *(2) as subparagraphs (A) and (B) and moving*

1 such subparagraphs (as so redesignated) 2 ems to
2 the right,

3 (B) by striking “CONVERSION OF OTHER
4 STOCK.—If any stock” and inserting the fol-
5 lowing: “CONVERSION.—

6 “(1) OTHER STOCK.—If any stock”, and

7 (C) by adding at the end the following new
8 paragraph:

9 “(2) CONVERTIBLE DEBT INSTRUMENTS.—

10 “(A) IN GENERAL.—If any stock in a cor-
11 poration is acquired by the taxpayer, without
12 recognition of gain, solely through the conversion
13 of a qualified convertible debt instrument—

14 “(i) the stock so acquired shall be treat-
15 ed as qualified small business stock in the
16 hands of the taxpayer, and

17 “(ii) the stock so acquired shall be
18 treated as having been held during the pe-
19 riod during which the qualified convertible
20 debt instrument was held.

21 “(B) QUALIFIED CONVERTIBLE DEBT IN-
22 STRUMENT.—For purposes of this paragraph, the
23 term ‘qualified convertible debt instrument’
24 means any bond or other evidence of indebted-
25 ness—

1 “(i) which is originally issued by the
2 corporation to the taxpayer,
3 “(ii) the issuer of which—
4 “(I) from issuance until conver-
5 sion, is a qualified small business, and
6 “(II) during substantially all of
7 the taxpayer’s holding period of such
8 bond or evidence of indebtedness, the
9 corporation meets the active business
10 requirements of subsection (e), and
11 “(iii) which is convertible into stock in
12 the corporation.”.

13 (c) GAIN EXCLUSION ALLOWED WITH RESPECT TO
14 QUALIFIED SMALL BUSINESS STOCK IN CORPORATION.—

15 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 1202(c) is amended—
16 (A) by striking “C corporation” in para-
17 graph (1) and inserting “corporation”, and
18 (B) by striking “and such corporation is a
19 C corporation” in paragraph (2)(A).

20 (2) QUALIFIED SMALL BUSINESS DEFINITION.—
21 Section 1202(d)(1) is amended by striking “which is
22 a C corporation”.

23 (3) CLARIFICATION OF AGGREGATION RULES AP-
24 PLICABLE TO S CORPORATIONS.—Section 1202(d)(3)

1 is amended by adding at the end the following new
2 subparagraph:

3 “(C) CLARIFICATION WITH RESPECT TO S
4 COPORATIONS.—Any determination of the mem-
5 bers of a controlled group of corporations under
6 this paragraph shall include taking into account
7 any stock ownership in an S corporation.”.

8 (4) TREATMENT OF PASSIVE LOSSES.—Section
9 469(g)(1) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
10 lowing new subparagraph:

11 “(D) CERTAIN DISPOSITIONS OF SMALL
12 BUSINESS STOCK.—In the case a disposition any
13 gain from which is excluded from gross income
14 under section 1202, subparagraph (A) shall not
15 apply.”.

16 (5) SPECIAL RULES RELATING TO S CORPORA-
17 TIONS.—Section 1202(e) is amended by adding at the
18 end the following new paragraph:

19 “(9) APPLIED AT S CORPORATION LEVEL.—In
20 the case of an S corporation, the requirements of this
21 subsection shall be applied at the corporate level.”.

22 (d) EFFECTIVE DATES.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise provided
24 in this subsection, the amendments made by this sec-

1 *tion shall apply to stock acquired after the date of the*
2 *enactment of this Act.*

3 (2) *CONTINUED TREATMENT AS NOT ITEM OF*
4 *TAX PREFERENCE.—The amendments made by sub-*
5 *section (a)(3) shall take effect as if included in the en-*
6 *actment of section 2011 the Creating Small Business*
7 *Jobs Act of 2010.*

8 (3) *TACKING HOLDING PERIOD OF CONVERTIBLE*
9 *DEBT INSTRUMENTS.—The amendments made by sub-*
10 *section (b) shall apply to debt instruments originally*
11 *issued after the date of the enactment of this Act.*

12 **SEC. 5. INCREASE IN LIMITATIONS ON EXPENSING OF DE-**
13 **PRECIABLE BUSINESS ASSETS.**

14 (a) *IN GENERAL.—Section 179(b) is amended—*

15 (1) *by striking “\$1,000,000” in paragraph (1)*
16 *and inserting “\$2,500,000”, and*

17 (2) *by striking “\$2,500,000” in paragraph (2)*
18 *and inserting “\$4,000,000”.*

19 (b) *INFLATION ADJUSTMENT.—Section 179(b)(6) is*
20 *amended—*

21 (1) *by striking “2018” and inserting “2024*
22 *(2018 in the case of the dollar amount in paragraph*
23 *(5)(A))”, and*

24 (2) *by striking “calendar year 2017” and in-*
25 *serting “calendar year 2024’ (calendar year 2017’*

1 in the case of the dollar amount in paragraph
2 (5)(A))".

3 (c) *EFFECTIVE DATE.*—The amendments made by this
4 section shall apply to property placed in service in taxable
5 years beginning after December 31, 2023.

6 **SEC. 6. ESTABLISHMENT OF SPECIAL RULES FOR CAPITAL**

7 **GAINS INVESTED IN RURAL OPPORTUNITY**
8 **ZONES.**

9 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Subchapter Z of chapter 1 is
10 amended by adding at the end the following new section:
11 **“SEC. 1400Z-3. SPECIAL RULES FOR CAPITAL GAINS IN-**
12 **VESTED IN RURAL OPPORTUNITY ZONES.**

13 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—

14 “(1) *TREATMENT OF GAINS.*—In the case of cap-
15 ital gain from the sale to, or exchange with, an unre-
16 lated person of any property held by the taxpayer, at
17 the election of the taxpayer—

18 “(A) gross income for the taxable year shall
19 not include so much of such gain as does not ex-
20 ceed the aggregate amount invested by the tax-
21 payer in a qualified rural opportunity fund dur-
22 ing the 180-day period beginning on the date of
23 such sale or exchange,

1 “(B) the amount of gain excluded by sub-
2 paragraph (A) shall be included in gross income
3 as provided by subsection (b), and

4 “(C) subsection (c) shall apply.

5 “(2) *ELECTION*.—No election may be made
6 under paragraph (1)—

7 “(A) with respect to a sale or exchange if an
8 election previously made with respect to such
9 sale or exchange is in effect, or

10 “(B) with respect to any sale or exchange
11 after December 31, 2032.

12 “(b) *DEFERRAL OF GAIN INVESTED IN QUALIFIED*
13 *RURAL OPPORTUNITY ZONE PROPERTY*.—

14 “(1) *YEAR OF INCLUSION*.—Gain to which subsection
15 (a)(1)(B) applies shall be included in income
16 in the taxable year which includes the earlier of—

17 “(A) the date on which such investment is
18 sold or exchanged, or

19 “(B) December 31, 2032.

20 “(2) *AMOUNT INCLUDIBLE*.—

21 “(A) *IN GENERAL*.—The amount of gain included in gross income under subsection
22 (a)(1)(A) shall be the excess of—

24 “(i) the lesser of the amount of gain ex-
25 cluded under paragraph (1) or the fair

1 *market value of the investment as deter-*
2 *mined as of the date described in paragraph*
3 *(1), over*

4 “*(ii) the taxpayer’s basis in the invest-*
5 *ment.*

6 **“(B) DETERMINATION OF BASIS QUALIFIED**
7 **RURAL OPPORTUNITY ZONE PROPERTY.—**

8 “*(i) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise*
9 *provided in this clause or subsection (c), the*
10 *taxpayer’s basis in the investment shall be*
11 *zero.*

12 “*(ii) INCREASE FOR GAIN RECOGNIZED*
13 *UNDER SUBSECTION (A)(1)(B).—The basis in*
14 *the investment shall be increased by the*
15 *amount of gain recognized by reason of sub-*
16 *section (a)(1)(B) with respect to such prop-*
17 *erty.*

18 “*(iii) INVESTMENTS HELD FOR 5*
19 *YEARS.—In the case of any investment held*
20 *for at least 5 years, the basis of such invest-*
21 *ment shall be increased by an amount equal*
22 *to 10 percent of the amount of gain deferred*
23 *by reason of subsection (a)(1)(A).*

24 “*(iv) INVESTMENTS HELD FOR 7*
25 *YEARS.—In the case of any investment held*

1 *by the taxpayer for at least 7 years, in ad-*
2 *dition to any adjustment made under clause*
3 *(iii), the basis of such property shall be in-*
4 *creased by an amount equal to 5 percent of*
5 *the amount of gain deferred by reason of*
6 *subsection (a)(1)(A).*

7 “(c) *SPECIAL RULE FOR INVESTMENTS HELD FOR AT*
8 *LEAST 10 YEARS.*—*In the case of any investment held by*
9 *the taxpayer for at least 10 years and with respect to which*
10 *the taxpayer makes an election under this subsection, the*
11 *basis of such property shall be equal to the fair market value*
12 *of such investment on the date that the investment is sold*
13 *or exchanged.*

14 “(d) *QUALIFIED RURAL OPPORTUNITY FUND.*—*For*
15 *purposes of this section—*

16 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The term ‘qualified rural op-*
17 *portunity fund’ means any investment vehicle which*
18 *is organized as a corporation or a partnership for the*
19 *purpose of investing in qualified rural opportunity*
20 *zone property (other than another qualified rural op-*
21 *portunity fund) that holds at least 90 percent of its*
22 *assets in qualified rural opportunity zone property,*
23 *determined by the average of the percentage of quali-*
24 *fied rural opportunity zone property held in the fund*
25 *as measured—*

1 “(A) on the last day of the first 6-month pe-
2 riod of the taxable year of the fund, and

3 “(B) on the last day of the taxable year of
4 the fund.

5 “(2) **QUALIFIED RURAL OPPORTUNITY ZONE**
6 **PROPERTY.—**

7 “(A) **IN GENERAL.**—The term ‘qualified
8 rural opportunity zone property’ means property
9 which is—

10 “(i) qualified rural opportunity zone
11 stock,

12 “(ii) qualified rural opportunity zone
13 partnership interest, or

14 “(iii) qualified rural opportunity zone
15 business property.

16 “(B) **QUALIFIED RURAL OPPORTUNITY ZONE**
17 **STOCK.—**

18 “(i) **IN GENERAL.**—Except as provided
19 in clause (ii), the term ‘qualified rural op-
20 portunity zone stock’ means any stock in a
21 domestic corporation if—

22 “(I) such stock is acquired by the
23 qualified rural opportunity fund after
24 December 31, 2023, at its original
25 issue (directly or through an under-

1 *writer) from the corporation solely in
2 exchange for cash,*

3 *“(II) as of the time such stock was
4 issued, such corporation was a quali-
5 fied rural opportunity zone business
6 (or, in the case of a new corporation,
7 such corporation was being organized
8 for purposes of being a qualified rural
9 opportunity zone business), and*

10 *“(III) during substantially all of
11 the qualified rural opportunity fund’s
12 holding period for such stock, such cor-
13 poration qualified as a qualified rural
14 opportunity zone business.*

15 *“(ii) REDEMPTIONS.—A rule similar
16 to the rule of section 1202(c)(3) shall apply
17 for purposes of this paragraph.*

18 **“(C) QUALIFIED RURAL OPPORTUNITY ZONE
19 PARTNERSHIP INTEREST.**—The term ‘qualified
20 rural opportunity zone partnership interest’
21 means any capital or profits interest in a domes-
22 tic partnership if—

23 *“(i) such interest is acquired by the
24 qualified rural opportunity fund after De-*

3 “(ii) as of the time such interest was
4 acquired, such partnership was a qualified
5 rural opportunity zone business (or, in the
6 case of a new partnership, such partnership
7 was being organized for purposes of being a
8 qualified rural opportunity zone business),
9 and

10 “(iii) during substantially all of the
11 qualified rural opportunity fund’s holding
12 period for such interest, such partnership
13 qualified as a qualified rural opportunity
14 zone business.

15 “(D) QUALIFIED RURAL OPPORTUNITY
16 ZONE BUSINESS PROPERTY.—

17 “(i) *IN GENERAL.*—The term ‘qualified

18 *rural opportunity zone business property*’

19 means tangible property used in a trade or

20 business of the qualified rural opportunity

21 fund if—

1 “(II) the original use of such
2 property in the qualified rural oppor-
3 tunity zone commences with the quali-
4 fied rural opportunity fund or the
5 qualified rural opportunity fund sub-
6 stantially improves the property, and

7 “(III) during substantially all of
8 the qualified rural opportunity fund’s
9 holding period for such property, sub-
10 stantially all of the use of such prop-
11 erty was in a qualified rural oppor-
12 tunity zone.

13 “(ii) **SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENT.**—
14 For purposes of subparagraph (A)(ii), prop-
15 erty shall be treated as substantially im-
16 proved by the qualified rural opportunity
17 fund only if, during any 30-month period
18 beginning after the date of acquisition of
19 such property, additions to basis with re-
20 spect to such property in the hands of the
21 qualified rural opportunity fund exceed an
22 amount equal to the adjusted basis of such
23 property at the beginning of such 30-month
24 period in the hands of the qualified rural
25 opportunity fund.

1 “(iii) RELATED PARTY.—For purposes
2 of subparagraph (A)(i), the related person
3 rule of section 179(d)(2) shall be applied
4 pursuant to subsection (e)(2) in lieu of the
5 application of such rule in section
6 179(d)(2)(A).

7 “(3) QUALIFIED RURAL OPPORTUNITY ZONE
8 BUSINESS.—

9 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘qualified
10 rural opportunity zone business’ means a trade
11 or business—

12 “(i) in which substantially all of the
13 tangible property owned or leased by the
14 taxpayer is qualified rural opportunity
15 zone business property (determined by sub-
16 stituting ‘qualified rural opportunity zone
17 business’ for ‘qualified rural opportunity
18 fund’ each place it appears in paragraph
19 (2)(D)),

20 “(ii) which satisfies the requirements of
21 paragraphs (2), (4), and (8) of section
22 1397C(b), and

23 “(iii) which is not described in section
24 144(c)(6)(B).

1 “(B) *SPECIAL RULE.*—For purposes of sub-
2 paragraph (A), tangible property that ceases to
3 be a qualified rural opportunity zone business
4 property shall continue to be treated as a qualifi-
5 fied rural opportunity zone business property for
6 the lesser of—

7 “(i) 5 years after the date on which
8 such tangible property ceases to be so qualifi-
9 fied, or

10 “(ii) the date on which such tangible
11 property is no longer held by the qualified
12 rural opportunity zone business.

13 “(4) *QUALIFIED RURAL OPPORTUNITY ZONE.*—

14 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—The term ‘qualified
15 rural opportunity zone’ means any population
16 census tract which—

17 “(i) is located in a rural county, and
18 “(ii) is in persistent poverty (as deter-
19 mined by the Bureau of the Census using
20 the same methodology and data as used for
21 purposes of the May 2023 report of such
22 Bureau entitled ‘Persistent Poverty in
23 Counties and Census Tracts’).

24 “(B) *RURAL COUNTY.*—The term ‘rural
25 county’ means any county if more than 50 per-

1 *cent of the census blocks which comprise such*
2 *county are rural blocks (as determined by the*
3 *Bureau of the Census as of the date of the enact-*
4 *ment of this Act). A rule similar to section*
5 *143(k)(2)(D) shall apply for purposes of the pre-*
6 *ceding sentence.*

7 “*(e) APPLICABLE RULES.—*

8 “*(1) TREATMENT OF INVESTMENTS WITH MIXED*
9 *FUNDS.—In the case of any investment in a qualified*
10 *rural opportunity fund only a portion of which con-*
11 *sists of investments of gain to which an election under*
12 *subsection (a) is in effect—*

13 “*(A) such investment shall be treated as 2*
14 *separate investments, consisting of—*

15 “*(i) one investment that only includes*
16 *amounts to which the election under sub-*
17 *section (a) applies, and*

18 “*(ii) a separate investment consisting*
19 *of other amounts, and*

20 “*(B) subsections (a), (b), and (c) shall only*
21 *apply to the investment described in subparagraph*
22 *(A)(i).*

23 “*(2) RELATED PERSONS.—For purposes of this*
24 *section, persons are related to each other if such per-*
25 *sons are described in section 267(b) or 707(b)(1), de-*

1 *terminated by substituting ‘20 percent’ for ‘50 percent’*
2 *each place it occurs in such sections.*

3 “(3) *DECEDENTS.—In the case of a decedent,*
4 *amounts recognized under this section shall, if not*
5 *properly includible in the gross income of the dece-*
6 *dent, be includible in gross income as provided by sec-*
7 *tion 691.*

8 “(4) *REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall pre-*
9 *scribe such regulations as may be necessary or appro-*
10 *priate to carry out the purposes of this section, in-*
11 *cluding—*

12 “(A) *rules for the certification of qualified*
13 *rural opportunity funds for the purposes of this*
14 *section,*

15 “(B) *rules to ensure a qualified rural op-*
16 *portunity fund has a reasonable period of time*
17 *to reinvest the return of capital from investments*
18 *in qualified rural opportunity zone stock and*
19 *qualified rural opportunity zone partnership in-*
20 *terests, and to reinvest proceeds received from the*
21 *sale or disposition of qualified rural opportunity*
22 *zone property, and*

23 “(C) *rules to prevent abuse.*

24 “(f) *FAILURE OF QUALIFIED RURAL OPPORTUNITY*
25 *FUND TO MAINTAIN INVESTMENT STANDARD.—*

1 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—If a qualified rural oppor-
2 tunity fund fails to meet the 90-percent requirement
3 of subsection (d)(1), the qualified rural opportunity
4 fund shall pay a penalty for each month it fails to
5 meet the requirement in an amount equal to the prod-
6 uct of—

7 “(A) the excess of—

8 “(i) the amount equal to 90 percent of
9 its aggregate assets, over

10 “(ii) the aggregate amount of qualified
11 rural opportunity zone property held by the
12 fund, multiplied by

13 “(B) the underpayment rate established
14 under section 6621(a)(2) for such month.

15 “(2) *SPECIAL RULE FOR PARTNERSHIPS.*—In the
16 case that the qualified rural opportunity fund is a
17 partnership, the penalty imposed by paragraph (1)
18 shall be taken into account proportionately as part of
19 the distributive share of each partner of the partner-
20 ship.

21 “(3) *REASONABLE CAUSE EXCEPTION.*—No pen-
22 alty shall be imposed under this subsection with re-
23 spect to any failure if it is shown that such failure
24 is due to reasonable cause.”.

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for subchapter Z of chapter 1 is amended by adding at the end the following new item:

“Sec. 1400Z-3. Special rules for capital gains invested in rural opportunity zones.”.

4 (c) *EFFECTIVE DATE.*—The amendments made by this
5 section shall apply to amounts invested after the date of
6 the enactment of this section.

7 SEC. 7. REPORTING ON QUALIFIED OPPORTUNITY FUNDS
8 AND QUALIFIED RURAL OPPORTUNITY
9 FUNDS.

10 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—

18 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—Every qualified opportunity fund
19 shall file an annual return (at such time and in such man-
20 ner as the Secretary may prescribe) containing the informa-
21 tion described in subsection (b).

22 "(b) INFORMATION FROM QUALIFIED OPPORTUNITY
23 FUNDS.—The information described in this subsection is—

1 “(1) the name, address, and taxpayer identifica-
2 tion number of the qualified opportunity fund,

3 “(2) whether the qualified opportunity fund is
4 organized as a corporation or a partnership,

5 “(3) the value of the total assets held by the
6 qualified opportunity fund as of each date described
7 in section 1400Z-2(d)(1),

8 “(4) the value of all qualified opportunity zone
9 property held by the qualified opportunity fund on
10 each such date,

11 “(5) with respect to each investment held by the
12 qualified opportunity fund in qualified opportunity
13 zone stock or a qualified opportunity zone partner-
14 ship interest—

15 “(A) the name, address, and taxpayer iden-
16 tification number of the corporation in which
17 such stock is held or the partnership in which
18 such interest is held, as the case may be,

19 “(B) each North American Industry Classi-
20 fication System (NAICS) code that applies to the
21 trades or businesses conducted by such corpora-
22 tion or partnership,

23 “(C) the population census tracts in which
24 the qualified opportunity zone business property
25 of such corporation or partnership is located,

1 “(D) the amount of the investment in such
2 stock or partnership interest as of each date de-
3 scribed in section 1400Z-2(d)(1),

4 “(E) the value of tangible property held by
5 such corporation or partnership on each such
6 date which is owned by such corporation or
7 partnership,

8 “(F) the value of tangible property held by
9 such corporation or partnership on each such
10 date which is leased by such corporation or part-
11 nership,

12 “(G) the approximate number of residential
13 units (if any) for any real property held by such
14 corporation or partnership, and

15 “(H) the approximate average monthly
16 number of full-time equivalent employees of such
17 corporation or partnership for the year (within
18 numerical ranges identified by the Secretary) or
19 such other indication of the employment impact
20 of such corporation or partnership as determined
21 appropriate by the Secretary,

22 “(6) with respect to the items of qualified oppor-
23 tunity zone business property held by the qualified
24 opportunity fund—

1 “(A) the North American Industry Classi-
2 fication System (NAICS) code that applies to the
3 trades or businesses in which such property is
4 held,

5 “(B) the population census tract in which
6 the property is located,

7 “(C) whether the property is owned or
8 leased,

9 “(D) the aggregate value of the items of
10 qualified opportunity zone property held by the
11 qualified opportunity fund as of each date de-
12 scribed in section 1400Z-2(d)(1), and

13 “(E) in the case of real property, number of
14 residential units (if any),

15 “(7) the approximate average monthly number of
16 full-time equivalent employees for the year of the
17 trades or businesses of the qualified opportunity fund
18 in which qualified opportunity zone business property
19 is held (within numerical ranges identified by the
20 Secretary) or such other indication of the employment
21 impact of such trades or businesses as determined ap-
22 propriate by the Secretary,

23 “(8) with respect to each person who disposed of
24 an investment in the qualified opportunity fund dur-
25 ing the year—

1 “(A) the name and taxpayer identification
2 number of such person,

3 “(B) the date or dates on which the invest-
4 ment disposed was acquired, and

5 “(C) the date or dates on which any such
6 investment was disposed and the amount of the
7 investment disposed, and

8 “(9) such other information as the Secretary
9 may require.

10 “(c) *STATEMENT REQUIRED TO BE FURNISHED TO IN-*
11 *VESTORS.*—Every person required to make a return under
12 subsection (a) shall furnish to each person whose name is
13 required to be set forth in such return by reason of sub-
14 section (b)(8) a written statement showing—

15 “(1) the name, address and phone number of the
16 information contact of the person required to make
17 such return, and

18 “(2) the information required to be shown on
19 such return by reason of subsection (b)(8) with respect
20 to the person whose name is required to be so set
21 forth.

22 “(d) *DEFINITIONS.*—For purposes of this section—

23 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—Any term used in this sec-
24 tion which is also used in subchapter Z of chapter 1

1 shall have the meaning given such term under such
2 subchapter.

3 “(2) FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT EMPLOYEES.—The
4 term ‘full-time equivalent employees’ means, with re-
5 spect to any month, the sum of—

6 “(A) the number of full-time employees (as
7 defined in section 4980H(c)(4)) for the month,
8 plus

9 “(B) the number of employees determined
10 (under rules similar to the rules of section
11 4980H(c)(2)(E)) by dividing the aggregate num-
12 ber of hours of service of employees who are not
13 full-time employees for the month by 120.

14 “(e) APPLICATION TO QUALIFIED RURAL OPPOR-
15 TUNITY FUNDS.—Every qualified rural opportunity fund

16 shall file the annual return required under subsection (a),
17 and the statements required under subsection (c), applied—

18 “(1) by substituting ‘qualified rural opportunity’
19 for ‘qualified opportunity’ each place it appears, and
20 “(2) by substituting ‘section 1400Z-3(d)(1)’ for
21 ‘section 1400Z-2(d)(1)’ each place it appears.

1 **“SEC. 6039L. INFORMATION REQUIRED FROM QUALIFIED**
2 **OPPORTUNITY ZONE BUSINESSES AND**
3 **QUALIFIED RURAL OPPORTUNITY ZONE BUSI-**
4 **NESSES.**

5 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—Every applicable qualified oppor-
6 tunity zone business shall furnish to the qualified oppor-
7 tunity fund described in subsection (b) a written statement
8 in such manner and setting forth such information as the
9 Secretary may by regulations prescribe for purposes of ena-
10 bling such qualified opportunity fund to meet the require-
11 ments of section 6039K(b)(5).

12 “(b) *APPLICABLE QUALIFIED OPPORTUNITY ZONE*
13 *BUSINESS.*—For purposes of subsection (a), the term ‘appli-
14 cable qualified opportunity zone business’ means any quali-
15 fied opportunity zone business—

16 “(1) which is a trade or business of a qualified
17 opportunity fund,

18 “(2) in which a qualified opportunity fund holds
19 qualified opportunity zone stock, or

20 “(3) in which a qualified opportunity fund holds
21 a qualified opportunity zone partnership interest.

22 “(c) *OTHER TERMS.*—Any term used in this section
23 which is also used in subchapter Z of chapter 1 shall have
24 the meaning given such term under such subchapter.

25 “(d) *APPLICATION TO QUALIFIED RURAL OPPOR-*
26 *TUNITY FUNDS.*—Every qualified rural opportunity zone

1 business (as defined in subsection (b) determined after ap-
2 plication of the substitutions described in this sentence)
3 shall furnish the written statement required under sub-
4 section (a), applied by substituting ‘qualified rural oppor-
5 tunity’ for ‘qualified opportunity’ each place it appears.”.

6 (2) **PENALTIES.—**

7 (A) **IN GENERAL.**—Part II of subchapter B
8 of chapter 68 is amended by inserting after sec-
9 tion 6725 the following new section:

10 **“SEC. 6726. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH INFORMATION RE-**
11 **PORTING REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO**
12 **QUALIFIED OPPORTUNITY FUNDS AND**
13 **QUALIFIED RURAL OPPORTUNITY FUNDS.**

14 “(a) **IN GENERAL.**—In the case of any person required
15 to file a return under section 6039K fails to file a complete
16 and correct return under such section in the time and in
17 the manner prescribed therefor, such person shall pay a
18 penalty of \$500 for each day during which such failure con-
19 tinues.

20 “(b) **LIMITATION.**—

21 “(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The maximum penalty
22 under this section on failures with respect to any 1
23 return shall not exceed \$10,000.

24 “(2) **LARGE QUALIFIED OPPORTUNITY FUNDS.**—
25 In the case of any failure described in subsection (a)

1 with respect to a fund the gross assets of which (deter-
2 mined on the last day of the taxable year) are in ex-
3 cess of \$10,000,000, paragraph (1) shall be applied by
4 substituting '\$50,000' for '\$10,000'.

5 “(c) *PENALTY IN CASES OF INTENTIONAL DIS-*
6 *REGARD.*—If a failure described in subsection (a) is due
7 to intentional disregard, then—

8 “(1) subsection (a) shall be applied by sub-
9 stituting '\$2,500' for '\$500',

10 “(2) subsection (b)(1) shall be applied by sub-
11 stituting '\$50,000' for '\$10,000', and

12 “(3) subsection (b)(2) shall be applied by sub-
13 stituting '\$250,000' for '\$50,000'.

14 “(d) *INFLATION ADJUSTMENT.*—

15 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—In the case of any failure re-
16 lating to a return required to be filed in a calendar
17 year beginning after 2023, each of the dollar amounts
18 in subsections (a), (b), and (c) shall be increased by
19 an amount equal to such dollar amount multiplied by
20 the cost-of-living adjustment determined under section
21 1(f)(3) for the calendar year determined by sub-
22 stituting ‘calendar year 2022’ for ‘calendar year
23 2016’ in subparagraph (A)(ii) thereof.

24 “(2) *ROUNDING.*—

1 “(A) IN GENERAL.—If the \$500 dollar
2 amount in subsection (a) and (c)(1) or the
3 \$2,500 amount in subsection (c)(1), after being
4 increased under paragraph (1), is not a multiple
5 of \$10, such dollar amount shall be rounded to
6 the next lowest multiple of \$10.

7 “(B) ASSET THRESHOLD.—If the
8 \$10,000,000 dollar amount in subsection (b)(2),
9 after being increased under paragraph (1), is not
10 a multiple of \$10,000, such dollar amount shall
11 be rounded to the next lowest multiple of
12 \$10,000.

13 “(C) OTHER DOLLAR AMOUNTS.—If any
14 dollar amount in subsection (b) or (c) (other
15 than any amount to which subparagraph (A) or
16 (B) applies), after being increased under para-
17 graph (1), is not a multiple of \$1,000, such dol-
18 lar amount shall be rounded to the next lowest
19 multiple of \$1,000.”.

20 (B) INFORMATION REQUIRED TO BE SENT
21 TO OTHER TAXPAYERS.—Section 6724(d)(2) is
22 amended—

23 (i) by striking “or” at the end of sub-
24 paragraph (II),

1 (ii) by striking the period at the end of
2 the first subparagraph (JJ) (relating to sec-
3 tion 6226) and inserting a comma,
4 (iii) by redesignating the second sub-
5 paragraph (JJ) (relating to section 6050Y)
6 as subparagraph (KK),
7 (iv) by striking the period at the end
8 of subparagraph (KK) (as redesignated by
9 clause (iii)) and inserting a comma, and
10 (v) by inserting after subparagraph
11 (KK) (as so redesignated) the following new
12 subparagraphs:
13 “(LL) section 6039K(c) (relating to disposi-
14 tion of qualified opportunity fund investments),
15 or
16 “(MM) section 6039L (relating to informa-
17 tion required from certain qualified opportunity
18 zone businesses and qualified rural opportunity
19 zone businesses).”.

20 (3) ELECTRONIC FILING.—Section 6011(e) is
21 amended by adding at the end the following new
22 paragraph:

23 “(8) QUALIFIED OPPORTUNITY FUNDS AND
24 QUALIFIED RURAL OPPORTUNITY FUNDS.—Notwith-
25 standing paragraphs (1) and (2), any return filed by

1 *a qualified opportunity fund or qualified rural op-*
 2 *portunity fund shall be filed on magnetic media or*
 3 *other machine-readable form.”.*

4 **(4) CLERICAL AMENDMENTS.—**

5 *(A) The table of sections for subpart A of*
 6 *part III of subchapter A of chapter 61 is amend-*
 7 *ed by inserting after the item relating to section*
 8 *6039J the following new items:*

“Sec. 6039K. Returns with respect to qualified opportunity funds and qualified rural opportunity funds.

“Sec. 6039L. Information required from certain qualified opportunity zone businesses and qualified rural opportunity zone businesses.”.

9 *(B) The table of sections for part II of sub-*
 10 *chapter B of chapter 68 is amended by inserting*
 11 *after the item relating to section 6725 the fol-*
 12 *lowing new item:*

“Sec. 6726. Failure to comply with information reporting requirements relating to qualified opportunity funds and qualified rural opportunity funds.”.

13 **(5) EFFECTIVE DATE.—**The amendments made
 14 by this subsection shall apply to taxable years begin-
 15 ning after the date of the enactment of this Act.

16 **(b) REPORTING OF DATA ON OPPORTUNITY ZONE AND**
 17 **RURAL OPPORTUNITY ZONE TAX INCENTIVES.—**

18 **(1) IN GENERAL.—**As soon as practical after the
 19 date of the enactment of this Act, and annually there-
 20 after, the Secretary of the Treasury, or the Secretary’s
 21 delegate (referred to in this section as the “Sec-

1 *retary”), in consultation with the Director of the Bu-*
2 *reau of the Census and such other agencies as the Sec-*
3 *retary determines appropriate, shall make publicly*
4 *available a report on qualified opportunity funds.*

5 (2) *INFORMATION INCLUDED.—The report re-*
6 *quired under paragraph (1) shall include, to the ex-*
7 *tent available, the following information:*

8 (A) *The number of qualified opportunity*
9 *funds.*

10 (B) *The aggregate dollar amount of assets*
11 *held in qualified opportunity funds.*

12 (C) *The aggregate dollar amount of invest-*
13 *ments made by qualified opportunity funds in*
14 *qualified opportunity fund property, stated sepa-*
15 *rately for each North American Industry Classi-*
16 *fication System (NAICS) code.*

17 (D) *The percentage of population census*
18 *tracts designated as qualified opportunity zones*
19 *that have received qualified opportunity fund in-*
20 *vestments.*

21 (E) *For each population census tract des-*
22 *ignated as a qualified opportunity zone, the ap-*
23 *proximate average monthly number of full-time*
24 *equivalent employees of the qualified opportunity*
25 *zone businesses in such qualified opportunity*

1 zone for the preceding 12-month period (within
2 numerical ranges identified by the Secretary) or
3 such other indication of the employment impact
4 of such qualified opportunity fund businesses as
5 determined appropriate by the Secretary.

6 (F) The percentage of the total amount of
7 investments made by qualified opportunity funds
8 in—

9 (i) qualified opportunity zone property
10 which is real property; and
11 (ii) other qualified opportunity zone
12 property.

13 (G) For each population census tract, the
14 aggregate approximate number of residential
15 units resulting from investments made by quali-
16 fied opportunity funds in real property.

17 (H) The aggregate dollar amount of invest-
18 ments made by qualified opportunity funds in
19 each population census tract.

20 (3) ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.—

21 (A) IN GENERAL.—Beginning with the re-
22 port submitted under paragraph (1) for the 6th
23 year after the date of the enactment of this Act,
24 the Secretary shall include in such report the im-
25 pacts and outcomes of a designation of a popu-

1 *lation census tract as a qualified opportunity*
2 *zone as measured by economic indicators, such*
3 *as job creation, poverty reduction, new business*
4 *starts, and other metrics as determined by the*
5 *Secretary.*

6 **(B) SEMI-DECENNIAL INFORMATION.—**

7 *(i) IN GENERAL.—In the case of any*
8 *report submitted under paragraph (1) in*
9 *the 6th year or the 11th year after the date*
10 *of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary*
11 *shall include the following information:*

12 *(I) For population census tracts*
13 *designated as a qualified opportunity*
14 *zone, a comparison (based on aggregate*
15 *information) of the factors listed in*
16 *clause (iii) between the 5-year period*
17 *ending on the date of the enactment of*
18 *Public Law 115–97 and the most re-*
19 *cent 5-year period for which data is*
20 *available.*

21 *(II) For population census tracts*
22 *designated as a qualified opportunity*
23 *zone, a comparison (based on aggregate*
24 *information) of the factors listed in*
25 *clause (iii) for the most recent 5-year*

1 *period for which data is available be-*
2 *tween such population census tracts*
3 *and a similar population census tracts*
4 *that were not designated as a qualified*
5 *opportunity zone.*

6 (ii) *CONTROL GROUPS.*—*For purposes*
7 *of clause (i), the Secretary may combine*
8 *population census tracts into such groups as*
9 *the Secretary determines appropriate for*
10 *purposes of making comparisons.*

11 (iii) *FACTORS LISTED.*—*The factors*
12 *listed in this paragraph are the following:*

13 (I) *The unemployment rate.*

14 (II) *The number of persons work-*
15 *ing in the population census tract, in-*
16 *cluding the percentage of such persons*
17 *who were not residents in the popu-*
18 *lation census tract in the preceding*
19 *year.*

20 (III) *Individual, family, and*
21 *household poverty rates.*

22 (IV) *Median family income of*
23 *residents of the population census*
24 *tract.*

(VI) The average percentage of income of residents of the population census tract spent on rent annually.

(VII) The number of residences in
the population census tract.

(IX) The average value of residential property in the population census tract.

(X) The number of affordable housing units in the population census tract.

(XI) The number and percentage
of residents in the population census
tract that were not employed for the
preceding year.

(XII) The number of new business starts in the population census tract.

(XIII) *The distribution of employees in the population census tract by*

1 *North American Industry Classifica-*
2 *tion System (NAICS) code.*

3 *(4) PROTECTION OF IDENTIFIABLE RETURN IN-*
4 *FORMATION.—In making reports required under this*
5 *subsection, the Secretary—*

6 *(A) shall establish appropriate procedures*
7 *to ensure that any amounts reported do not dis-*
8 *close taxpayer return information that can be*
9 *associated with any particular taxpayer or com-*
10 *petitive or proprietary information, and*

11 *(B) if necessary to protect taxpayer return*
12 *information, may combine information required*
13 *with respect to individual population census*
14 *tracts into larger geographic areas.*

15 *(5) DEFINITIONS.—Any term used in this sub-*
16 *section which is also used in subchapter Z of chapter*
17 *1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 shall have the*
18 *meaning given such term under such subchapter.*

19 *(6) REPORTS ON QUALIFIED RURAL OPPOR-*
20 *TUNITY FUNDS.—The Secretary shall make publicly*
21 *available, with respect to qualified rural opportunity*
22 *funds, separate reports as required under this sub-*
23 *section, applied—*

- 1 (A) by substituting “qualified rural oppor-
2 tunity” for “qualified opportunity” each place it
3 appears, and
4 (B) by substituting “the Small Business
5 Jobs Act” for “Public Law 115–97”.

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