# In the House of Representatives, U. S.,

December 20, 2018.

*Resolved*, That the House agree to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 88) entitled "An Act to modify the boundary of the Shiloh National Military Park located in Tennessee and Mississippi, to establish Parker's Crossroads Battlefield as an affiliated area of the National Park System, and for other purposes.", with the following

### HOUSE AMENDMENT TO SENATE AMENDMENT:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the amendment of the Senate, insert the following:

# DIVISION A—RETIREMENT, SAV INGS, AND OTHER TAX RE LIEF ACT OF 2018

4 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE, ETC.

5 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This division may be cited as the
6 Retirement, Savings, and Other Tax Relief Act of 2018.

7 (b) AMENDMENT OF 1986 CODE.—Except as otherwise
8 expressly provided, whenever in this division an amend9 ment or repeal is expressed in terms of an amendment to,
10 or repeal of, a section or other provision, the reference shall
11 be considered to be made to a section or other provision
12 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

#### (c) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for

#### 2 this division is as follows:

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## 1 TITLE I—DISASTER TAX RELIEF

#### 2 SEC. 101. DEFINITIONS.

- 3 For purposes of this title—
- 4 (1) GENERAL DEFINITIONS.—
- 5 (A) QUALIFIED DISASTER AREA.—The term
  6 "qualified disaster area" means the Hurricane
  7 Florence disaster area; the Hurricane Michael
  8 disaster area; the Typhoon Mangkhut disaster
  9 area; the Typhoon Yutu disaster area; the
  10 Mendocino wildfire disaster area; the Camp and

1 Woolsey wildfire disaster area; the Kilauea vol-2 canic eruption and earthquakes disaster area; the Hawaii severe storms, flooding, landslides, and 3 4 mudslides disaster area; the Wisconsin severe storms, tornadoes, straight-line winds, flooding, 5 6 and landslides disaster area; the Texas severe 7 storms and flooding disaster area; the North Carolina tornado and severe storms disaster 8 9 area; the Indiana severe storms and flooding dis-10 aster area; the Alabama severe storms and torna-11 does disaster area; and the Tropical Storm Gita 12 disaster area.

13 (B) QUALIFIED DISASTER ZONE.—The term 14 "qualified disaster zone" means that portion of 15 any qualified disaster area which is determined 16 by the President to warrant individual or indi-17 vidual and public assistance from the Federal 18 Government under the Robert T. Stafford Dis-19 aster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act by 20 reason of the qualified disaster with respect to 21 such disaster area.

(C) QUALIFIED DISASTER.—The term
"qualified disaster" means, with respect to any
qualified disaster area, the disaster by reason of

1	which a major disaster was declared with respect
2	to such area.
3	(2) Hurricane florence.—
4	(A) HURRICANE FLORENCE DISASTER
5	AREA.—The term "Hurricane Florence disaster
6	area" means an area with respect to which a
7	major disaster has been declared by the President
8	on or before December 17, 2018, under section
9	401 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and
10	Emergency Assistance Act by reason of Hurri-
11	cane Florence.
12	(B) Incident beginning date.—The inci-
13	dent beginning date of Hurricane Florence is
14	September 7, 2018.
15	(C) Incident period.—The incident pe-
16	riod of Hurricane Florence is the period begin-
17	ning on the incident beginning date of Hurri-
18	cane Florence and ending on October 8, 2018.
19	(3) Hurricane michael.—
20	(A) HURRICANE MICHAEL DISASTER
21	AREA.—The term "Hurricane Michael disaster
22	area" means an area with respect to which a
23	major disaster has been declared by the President
24	on or before December 17, 2018, under section

401 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and

1	Emergency Assistance Act by reason of Hurri-
2	cane Michael.
3	(B) Incident beginning date.—The inci-
4	dent beginning date of Hurricane Michael is Oc-
5	tober 7, 2018.
6	(C) Incident period.—The incident pe-
7	riod of Hurricane Michael is the period begin-
8	ning on the incident beginning date of Hurri-
9	cane Michael and ending on October 23, 2018.
10	(4) Typhoon Mangkhut.—
11	(A) TYPHOON MANGKHUT DISASTER
12	AREA.—The term "Typhoon Mangkhut disaster
13	area" means an area with respect to which a
14	major disaster has been declared by the President
15	on or before December 17, 2018, under section
16	401 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and
17	Emergency Assistance Act by reason of Typhoon
18	Mangkhut.
19	(B) Incident beginning date.—The inci-
20	dent beginning date of Typhoon Mangkhut is
21	September 10, 2018.
22	(C) Incident period.—The incident pe-
23	riod of Typhoon Mangkhut is the period begin-
24	ning on the incident beginning date of Typhoon
25	Mangkhut and ending on September 11, 2018.

1	(5) Typhoon Yutu.—
2	(A) TYPHOON YUTU DISASTER AREA.—The
3	term "Typhoon Yutu disaster area" means an
4	area with respect to which a major disaster has
5	been declared by the President on or before De-
6	cember 17, 2018, under section 401 of the Robert
7	T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency As-
8	sistance Act by reason of Typhoon Yutu.
9	(B) Incident beginning date.—The inci-
10	dent beginning date of Typhoon Yutu is October
11	24, 2018.
12	(C) Incident period.—The incident pe-
13	riod of Typhoon Yutu is the period beginning on
14	the incident beginning date of Typhoon Yutu
15	and ending on October 26, 2018.
16	(6) Mendocino wildfire.—
17	(A) Mendocino wildfire disaster
18	AREA.—The term ''Mendocino wildfire disaster
19	area" means an area with respect to which, dur-
20	ing the period beginning on August 4, 2018, and
21	ending on December 17, 2018, a major disaster
22	has been declared by the President under section

401 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and

Emergency Assistance Act by reason of the wild-

fire in California commonly known as the

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1	Mendocino wildfire of 2018 (including the Carr
2	wildfire of 2018).
3	(B) Incident beginning date.—The inci-
4	dent beginning date of the wildfires referred to in
5	subparagraph (A) is July 23, 2018.
6	(C) Incident period.—The incident pe-
7	riod of the wildfires referred to in subparagraph
8	(A) is the period beginning on the incident be-
9	ginning date of such wildfires and ending on
10	September 19, 2018.
11	(7) CAMP AND WOOLSEY WILDFIRES.—
12	(A) CAMP AND WOOLSEY WILDFIRE DIS-
13	ASTER AREA.—The term "Camp and Woolsey
14	wildfire disaster area" means an area with re-
15	spect to which, during the period beginning on
16	November 12, 2018, and ending on December 17,
17	2018, a major disaster has been declared by the
18	President under section 401 of the Robert T.
19	Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assist-
20	ance Act by reason of the wildfires in California
21	commonly known as the Camp and Woolsey
22	wildfires of 2018 (including the Hill wildfire of
23	2018).

1	(B) Incident beginning date.—The inci-
2	dent beginning date of the wildfires referred to in
3	subparagraph (A) is November 8, 2018.
4	(C) Incident period.—The incident pe-
5	riod of the wildfires referred to in subparagraph
6	(A) is the period beginning on the incident be-
7	ginning date of such wildfires and ending on No-
8	vember 25, 2018.
9	(8) KILAUEA VOLCANIC ERUPTION AND EARTH-
10	QUAKES.—
11	(A) KILAUEA VOLCANIC ERUPTION AND
12	EARTHQUAKES DISASTER AREA.—The term
13	"Kilauea volcanic eruption and earthquakes dis-
14	aster area" means an area with respect to which,
15	during the period beginning on May 11, 2018,
16	and ending on December 17, 2018, a major dis-
17	aster has been declared by the President under
18	section 401 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster
19	Relief and Emergency Assistance Act by reason
20	of the Kilauea volcanic eruption and earthquakes
21	occurring in Hawaii during the period begin-
22	ning on May 3, 2018, and ending on August 17,
23	2018.
24	(B) Incident beginning date.—The inci-
25	dent beginning date of the volcanic eruption and

1	earthquakes referred to in subparagraph (A) is
2	May 3, 2018.
3	(C) Incident period.—The incident pe-
4	riod of the volcanic eruption and earthquakes re-
5	ferred to in subparagraph $(A)$ is the period be-
6	ginning on the incident beginning date with re-
7	spect to such eruption and earthquakes and end-
8	ing on August 17, 2018.
9	(9) HAWAH SEVERE STORMS, FLOODING, LAND-
10	SLIDES, AND MUDSLIDES.—
11	(A) HAWAH SEVERE STORMS, FLOODING,
12	LANDSLIDES, AND MUDSLIDES DISASTER
13	AREA.—The term "Hawaii severe storms, flood-
14	ing, landslides, and mudslides disaster area"
15	means an area with respect to which, during the
16	period beginning on May 8, 2018, and ending on
17	December 17, 2018, a major disaster has been de-
18	clared by the President under section 401 of the
19	Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emer-
20	gency Assistance Act by reason of the severe
21	storms, flooding, landslides, and mudslides oc-
22	curring in Hawaii during the period beginning
23	on April 13, 2018, and ending on April 16,
24	2018.

1 (B) INCIDENT BEGINNING DATE.—The inci-2 dent beginning date of the severe storms, flooding, landslides, and mudslides referred to in sub-3 4 paragraph (A) is April 13, 2018. (C) INCIDENT PERIOD.—The incident pe-5 6 riod of the severe storms, flooding, landslides, 7 and mudslides referred to in subparagraph (A) 8 is the period beginning on the incident beginning 9 date with respect to such severe storms, flooding, landslides, and mudslides and ending on April 10 11 16, 2018. 12 (10) WISCONSIN SEVERE STORMS, TORNADOES, 13 STRAIGHT-LINE WINDS, FLOODING. AND LAND-14 SLIDES.— 15 (A) WISCONSIN SEVERE STORMS, TORNA-16 DOES, STRAIGHT-LINE WINDS, FLOODING, AND 17 LANDSLIDES DISASTER AREA.—The term "Wis-18 consin severe storms, tornadoes, straight-line 19 winds, flooding, and landslides disaster area" 20 means an area with respect to which, during the 21 period beginning on October 18, 2018, and end-22 ing on December 17, 2018, a major disaster has 23 been declared by the President under section 401 24 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and 25 *Emergency Assistance Act by reason of the severe* 

1 storms, tornadoes, straight-line winds, flooding, 2 and landslides occurring in Wisconsin during 3 the period beginning on August 17, 2018, and 4 ending on September 14, 2018. (B) INCIDENT BEGINNING DATE.—The inci-5 6 dent beginning date of the severe storms, torna-7 does, straight-line winds, flooding, and landslides 8 referred to in subparagraph (A) is August 17, 9 2018. 10 (C) INCIDENT PERIOD.—The incident pe-11 riod of the severe storms, tornadoes, straight-line 12 winds, flooding, and landslides referred to in 13 subparagraph (A) is the period beginning on the 14 incident beginning date with respect to such se-15 vere storms, tornadoes, straight-line winds, flood-16 ing, and landslides and ending on September 14, 17 2018.18 (11) Texas severe storms and flooding.— 19 (A) Texas severe storms and flooding DISASTER AREA.—The term "Texas severe storms 20 21 and flooding disaster area" means an area with 22 respect to which, during the period beginning on 23 July 6, 2018, and ending on December 17, 2018, 24 a major disaster has been declared by the Presi-25 dent under section 401 of the Robert T. Stafford

1	Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act by
2	reason of the severe storms and flooding occur-
3	ring in Texas during the period beginning on
4	June 19, 2018, and ending on July 13, 2018.
5	(B) Incident beginning date.—The inci-
6	dent beginning date of the severe storms and
7	flooding referred to in subparagraph (A) is June
8	19, 2018.
9	(C) Incident period.—The incident pe-
10	riod of the severe storms and flooding referred to
11	in subparagraph $(A)$ is the period beginning on
12	the incident beginning date with respect to such
13	severe storms and flooding and ending on July
14	13, 2018.
15	(12) North carolina tornado and severe
16	STORMS.—
17	(A) North carolina tornado and se-
18	vere storms disaster area.—The term
19	"North Carolina tornado and severe storms dis-
20	aster area" means an area with respect to which,
21	during the period beginning on May 8, 2018,
22	and ending on December 17, 2018, a major dis-
23	aster has been declared by the President under
24	section 401 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster
25	Relief and Emergency Assistance Act by reason

1	of the tornado and severe storms occurring in
2	North Carolina on April 15, 2018.
3	(B) Incident beginning date; incident
4	PERIOD.—The incident beginning date, and the
5	incident period, of the tornado and severe storms
6	referred to in subparagraph (A) is April 15,
7	2018.
8	(13) Indiana severe storms and flooding.—
9	(A) INDIANA SEVERE STORMS AND FLOOD-
10	ING DISASTER AREA.—The term "Indiana severe
11	storms and flooding disaster area" means an
12	area with respect to which, during the period be-
13	ginning on May 4, 2018, and ending on Decem-
14	ber 17, 2018, a major disaster has been declared
15	by the President under section 401 of the Robert
16	T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency As-
17	sistance Act by reason of the severe storms and
18	flooding occurring in Indiana during the period
19	beginning on February 14, 2018, and ending on
20	March 4, 2018.
21	(B) Incident beginning date.—The inci-
22	dent beginning date of the severe storms and
23	flooding referred to in subparagraph $(A)$ is Feb-
24	ruary 14, 2018.

1	(C) Incident period.—The incident pe-
2	riod of the severe storms and flooding referred to
3	in subparagraph (A) is the period beginning on
4	the incident beginning date with respect to such
5	severe storms and flooding and ending on March
6	4, 2018.
7	(14) Alabama severe storms and torna-
8	DOES.—
9	(A) Alabama severe storms and torna-
10	does disaster area.—The term "Alabama se-
11	vere storms and tornadoes disaster area" means
12	an area with respect to which, during the period
13	beginning on April 26, 2018, and ending on De-
14	cember 17, 2018, a major disaster has been de-
15	clared by the President under section 401 of the
16	Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emer-
17	gency Assistance Act by reason of the severe
18	storms and tornadoes occurring in Alabama dur-
19	ing the period beginning on March 19, 2018, and
20	ending on March 20, 2018.
21	(B) Incident beginning date.—The inci-
22	dent beginning date of the severe storms and tor-
23	nadoes referred to in subparagraph (A) is March
24	19, 2018.

1	(C) Incident period.—The incident pe-
2	riod of the severe storms and tornadoes referred
3	to in subparagraph $(A)$ is the period beginning
4	on the incident beginning date with respect to
5	such severe storms and tornadoes and ending on
6	March 20, 2018.
7	(15) Tropical storm gita.—
8	(A) TROPICAL STORM GITA DISASTER
9	AREA.—The term "Tropical Storm Gita disaster
10	area" means an area with respect to which a
11	major disaster has been declared by the President
12	on or before December 17, 2018, under section
13	401 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and
14	Emergency Assistance Act by reason of Tropical
15	Storm Gita.
16	(B) Incident beginning date.—The inci-
17	dent beginning date of Tropical Storm Gita is
18	February 7, 2018.
19	(C) Incident period.—The incident pe-
20	riod of Tropical Storm Gita is the period begin-
21	ning on the incident beginning date of Tropical
22	Storm Gita and ending on February 12, 2018.

1	SEC. 102. SPECIAL DISASTER-RELATED RULES FOR USE OF
2	RETIREMENT FUNDS.
3	(a) TAX-FAVORED WITHDRAWALS FROM RETIREMENT
4	PLANS.—
5	(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 72(t) of the Internal
6	Revenue Code of 1986 shall not apply to any quali-
7	fied disaster distribution.
8	(2) Aggregate dollar limitation.—
9	(A) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of this sub-
10	section, the aggregate amount of distributions re-
11	ceived by an individual which may be treated as
12	qualified disaster distributions for any taxable
13	year shall not exceed the excess (if any) of—
14	(i) \$100,000, over
15	(ii) the aggregate amounts treated as
16	qualified disaster distributions received by
17	such individual for all prior taxable years.
18	(B) TREATMENT OF PLAN DISTRIBU-
19	TIONS.—If a distribution to an individual would
20	(without regard to subparagraph $(A)$ ) be a quali-
21	fied disaster distribution, a plan shall not be
22	treated as violating any requirement of the In-
23	ternal Revenue Code of 1986 merely because the
24	plan treats such distribution as a qualified dis-
25	aster distribution, unless the aggregate amount
26	of such distributions from all plans maintained

1 by the employer (and any member of any con-2 trolled group which includes the employer) to such individual exceeds \$100,000. 3 4 (C) CONTROLLED GROUP.—For purposes of subparagraph (B), the term "controlled group" 5 6 means any group treated as a single employer 7 under subsection (b), (c), (m), or (o) of section 414 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. 8 9 (D) Special rule for individuals AF-10 FECTED BY MORE THAN ONE DISASTER.—The 11 limitation of subparagraph (A) shall be applied 12 separately with respect to distributions made 13 with respect to each qualified disaster which is 14 described in a separate paragraph of section 101. 15 (3) Amount distributed may be repaid.— 16 (A) IN GENERAL.—Any individual who re-17 ceives a qualified disaster distribution may, at 18 any time during the 3-year period beginning on 19 the day after the date on which such distribution 20 was received, make 1 or more contributions in 21 an aggregate amount not to exceed the amount 22 of such distribution to an eligible retirement 23 plan of which such individual is a beneficiary 24 and to which a rollover contribution of such dis-25 tribution could be made under section 402(c),

403(a)(4), 403(b)(8), 408(d)(3), or 457(e)(16), of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as the case may be.

4 (B) TREATMENT OF REPAYMENTS OF DIS-5 TRIBUTIONS FROM ELIGIBLE RETIREMENT PLANS 6 OTHER THAN IRAS.—For purposes of the Inter-7 nal Revenue Code of 1986, if a contribution is 8 made pursuant to subparagraph (A) with respect 9 to a qualified disaster distribution from an eligi-10 ble retirement plan other than an individual re-11 tirement plan, then the taxpayer shall, to the ex-12 tent of the amount of the contribution, be treated 13 as having received the qualified disaster distribu-14 tion in an eligible rollover distribution (as de-15 fined in section 402(c)(4) of such Code) and as 16 having transferred the amount to the eligible re-17 tirement plan in a direct trustee to trustee trans-18 fer within 60 days of the distribution.

19(C) TREATMENT OF REPAYMENTS OF DIS-20TRIBUTIONS FROM IRAS.—For purposes of the21Internal Revenue Code of 1986, if a contribution22is made pursuant to subparagraph (A) with re-23spect to a qualified disaster distribution from an24individual retirement plan (as defined by section257701(a)(37) of such Code), then, to the extent of

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1	the amount of the contribution, the qualified dis-
2	aster distribution shall be treated as a distribu-
3	tion described in section $408(d)(3)$ of such Code
4	and as having been transferred to the eligible re-
5	tirement plan in a direct trustee to trustee trans-
6	fer within 60 days of the distribution.
7	(4) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this sub-
8	section—
9	(A) Qualified disaster distribution.—
10	Except as provided in paragraph $(2)$ , the term
11	"qualified disaster distribution" means any dis-
12	tribution from an eligible retirement plan made
13	on or after the incident beginning date of a
14	qualified disaster and before January 1, 2020, to
15	an individual whose principal place of abode at
16	any time during the incident period of such
17	qualified disaster is located in the qualified dis-
18	aster area with respect to such qualified disaster
19	and who has sustained an economic loss by rea-
20	son of such qualified disaster.
21	(B) ELIGIBLE RETIREMENT PLAN.—The
22	term "eligible retirement plan" shall have the
23	meaning given such term by section $402(c)(8)(B)$
24	of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

1	(5) Income inclusion spread over 3-year pe-
2	RIOD.—
3	(A) IN GENERAL.—In the case of any quali-
4	fied disaster distribution, unless the taxpayer
5	elects not to have this paragraph apply for any
6	taxable year, any amount required to be in-
7	cluded in gross income for such taxable year
8	shall be so included ratably over the 3-taxable-
9	year period beginning with such taxable year.
10	(B) Special rule.—For purposes of sub-
11	paragraph (A), rules similar to the rules of sub-
12	paragraph (E) of section $408A(d)(3)$ of the Inter-
13	nal Revenue Code of 1986 shall apply.
14	(6) Special rules.—
15	(A) EXEMPTION OF DISTRIBUTIONS FROM
16	TRUSTEE TO TRUSTEE TRANSFER AND WITH-
17	HOLDING RULES.—For purposes of sections
18	401(a)(31), 402(f), and 3405 of the Internal Rev-
19	enue Code of 1986, qualified disaster distribu-
20	tions shall not be treated as eligible rollover dis-
21	tributions.
22	(B) QUALIFIED DISASTER DISTRIBUTIONS
23	TREATED AS MEETING PLAN DISTRIBUTION RE-
24	QUIREMENTS.—For purposes the Internal Rev-
25	enue Code of 1986, a qualified disaster distribu-

1	tion shall be treated as meeting the requirements
2	of sections $401(k)(2)(B)(I)$ , $403(b)(7)(A)(ii)$ ,
3	403(b)(11), and 457(d)(1)(A) of such Code.
4	(b) Recontributions of Withdrawals for Home
5	Purchases.—

6 (1) RECONTRIBUTIONS.—

7 (A) IN GENERAL.—Any individual who re-8 ceived a qualified distribution may, during the 9 applicable period, make 1 or more contributions 10 in an aggregate amount not to exceed the 11 amount of such qualified distribution to an eligi-12 ble retirement plan (as defined in section 13 402(c)(8)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 14 1986) of which such individual is a beneficiary 15 and to which a rollover contribution of such dis-16 tribution could be made under section 402(c), 17 403(a)(4), 403(b)(8), or 408(d)(3), of such Code,18 as the case may be.

(B) TREATMENT OF REPAYMENTS.—Rules
similar to the rules of subparagraphs (B) and
(C) of subsection (a)(3) shall apply for purposes
of this subsection.

23 (2) QUALIFIED DISTRIBUTION.—For purposes of
24 this subsection, the term "qualified distribution"
25 means any distribution—

1	(A) described in section $401(k)(2)(B)(i)(IV)$ ,
2	403(b)(7)(A)(ii) (but only to the extent such dis-
3	tribution relates to financial hardship),
4	403(b)(11)(B), or $72(t)(2)(F)$ , of the Internal
5	Revenue Code of 1986,
6	(B) which was to be used to purchase or
7	construct a principal residence in a qualified
8	disaster area, but which was not so used on ac-
9	count of the qualified disaster with respect to
10	such area, and
11	(C) which was received on or after January
12	1, 2018, and before the date which is 30 days
13	after the last day of the incident period of such
14	qualified disaster.
15	(3) Applicable period.—For purposes of this
16	subsection, the term "applicable period" means, in the
17	case of a principal residence in a qualified disaster
18	area with respect to any qualified disaster, the period
19	beginning on the incident beginning date of such
20	qualified disaster and ending on February 28, 2019.
21	(c) LOANS FROM QUALIFIED PLANS.—
22	(1) Increase in limit on loans not treated
23	AS DISTRIBUTIONS.—In the case of any loan from a
24	qualified employer plan (as defined under section
25	72(p)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986) to a

1	qualified individual made during the period begin-
2	ning on the date of the enactment of this Act and end-
3	ing on December 31, 2019—
4	(A) clause (i) of section $72(p)(2)(A)$ of such
5	Code shall be applied by substituting "\$100,000"
6	for "\$50,000", and
7	(B) clause $(ii)$ of such section shall be ap-
8	plied by substituting "the present value of the
9	nonforfeitable accrued benefit of the employee
10	under the plan" for "one-half of the present
11	value of the nonforfeitable accrued benefit of the
12	employee under the plan".
13	(2) Delay of repayment.—In the case of a
14	qualified individual (with respect to any qualified
15	disaster) with an outstanding loan on or after the in-
16	cident beginning date (of such qualified disaster) from
17	a qualified employer plan (as defined in section
18	72(p)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986)—
19	(A) if the due date pursuant to subpara-
20	graph (B) or (C) of section $72(p)(2)$ of such Code
21	for any repayment with respect to such loan oc-
22	curs during the period beginning on the incident
23	beginning date of such qualified disaster and
24	ending on December 31, 2019, such due date
25	shall be delayed for 1 year,

1	(B) any subsequent repayments with respect
2	to any such loan shall be appropriately adjusted
3	to reflect the delay in the due date under para-
4	graph (1) and any interest accruing during such
5	delay, and
6	(C) in determining the 5-year period and
7	the term of a loan under subparagraph $(B)$ or
8	(C) of section $72(p)(2)$ of such Code, the period
9	described in subparagraph $(A)$ of this paragraph
10	shall be disregarded.
11	(3) QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL.—For purposes of
12	this subsection, the term "qualified individual" means
13	any individual—
14	(A) whose principal place of abode at any
15	time during the incident period of any qualified
16	disaster is located in the qualified disaster area
17	with respect to such qualified disaster, and
18	(B) who has sustained an economic loss by
19	reason of such qualified disaster.
20	(d) Provisions Relating to Plan Amendments.—
21	(1) IN GENERAL.—If this subsection applies to
22	any amendment to any plan or annuity contract,
23	such plan or contract shall be treated as being oper-
24	ated in accordance with the terms of the plan during
25	the period described in paragraph $(2)(B)(i)$ .

1	(2) Amendments to which subsection ap-
2	PLIES.—
3	(A) IN GENERAL.—This subsection shall
4	apply to any amendment to any plan or annu-
5	ity contract which is made—
6	(i) pursuant to any provision of this
7	section, or pursuant to any regulation
8	issued by the Secretary or the Secretary of
9	Labor under any provision of this section,
10	and
11	(ii) on or before the last day of the first
12	plan year beginning on or after January 1,
13	2020, or such later date as the Secretary
14	may prescribe.
15	In the case of a governmental plan (as defined
16	in section $414(d)$ of the Internal Revenue Code
17	of 1986), clause (ii) shall be applied by sub-
18	stituting the date which is 2 years after the date
19	otherwise applied under clause (ii).
20	(B) CONDITIONS.—This subsection shall not
21	apply to any amendment unless—
22	(i) during the period—
23	(I) beginning on the date that this
24	section or the regulation described in
25	subparagraph (A)(i) takes effect (or in

1	the case of a plan or contract amend-
2	ment not required by this section or
3	such regulation, the effective date speci-
4	fied by the plan), and
5	(II) ending on the date described
6	in subparagraph (A)(ii) (or, if earlier,
7	the date the plan or contract amend-
8	ment is adopted),
9	the plan or contract is operated as if such plan
10	or contract amendment were in effect, and
11	(ii) such plan or contract amendment
12	applies retroactively for such period.
13	SEC. 103. EMPLOYEE RETENTION CREDIT FOR EMPLOYERS
13 14	SEC. 103. EMPLOYEE RETENTION CREDIT FOR EMPLOYERS AFFECTED BY QUALIFIED DISASTERS.
14 15	AFFECTED BY QUALIFIED DISASTERS.
14 15 16	<b>AFFECTED BY QUALIFIED DISASTERS.</b> (a) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of section 38 of the
14 15 16	AFFECTED BY QUALIFIED DISASTERS. (a) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of section 38 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, in the case of an eligible
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14 15 16 17 18	AFFECTED BY QUALIFIED DISASTERS. (a) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of section 38 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, in the case of an eligible employer, the 2018 qualified disaster employee retention credit shall be treated as a credit listed in subsection (b)
<ol> <li>14</li> <li>15</li> <li>16</li> <li>17</li> <li>18</li> <li>19</li> </ol>	AFFECTED BY QUALIFIED DISASTERS. (a) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of section 38 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, in the case of an eligible employer, the 2018 qualified disaster employee retention credit shall be treated as a credit listed in subsection (b) of such section. For purposes of this subsection, the 2018
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<ol> <li>14</li> <li>15</li> <li>16</li> <li>17</li> <li>18</li> <li>19</li> <li>20</li> <li>21</li> </ol>	AFFECTED BY QUALIFIED DISASTERS. (a) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of section 38 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, in the case of an eligible employer, the 2018 qualified disaster employee retention credit shall be treated as a credit listed in subsection (b) of such section. For purposes of this subsection, the 2018 qualified disaster employee retention credit for any taxable year is an amount equal to 40 percent of the qualified wages

count with respect to any individual shall not exceed 1 2 \$6,000.

3 (b) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section— 4 (1) ELIGIBLE EMPLOYER.—The term "eligible 5 employer" means any employer— 6 (A) which conducted an active trade or 7 business in a qualified disaster zone at any time 8 during the incident period of the qualified dis-9 aster with respect to such qualified disaster zone, 10 and 11 (B) with respect to whom the trade or busi-12 ness described in subparagraph (A) is inoperable 13 at any time after the incident beginning date of 14 such qualified disaster, and before January 1, 15 2019, as a result of damage sustained by reason 16 of such qualified disaster. 17 (2) ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEE.—The term "eligible 18 employee" means with respect to an eligible employer 19 an employee whose principal place of employment at 20 any time during the incident period of the qualified 21 disaster referred to in paragraph (1) with such eligi-22 ble employer was in the qualified disaster zone re-23 ferred to in such paragraph. 24 (3) QUALIFIED WAGES.—The term "qualified 25

wages" means wages (as defined in section 51(c)(1) of

1	the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, but without re-
2	gard to section $3306(b)(2)(B)$ of such Code) paid or
3	incurred by an eligible employer with respect to an
4	eligible employee at any time after the incident begin-
5	ning date of the qualified disaster referred to in para-
6	graph (1), and before January 1, 2019, which occurs
7	during the period—
8	(A) beginning on the date on which the
9	trade or business described in paragraph (1)
10	first became inoperable at the principal place of
11	employment of the employee immediately before
12	the qualified disaster referred to in such para-
13	graph, and
14	(B) ending on the date on which such trade
15	or business has resumed significant operations at
16	such principal place of employment.
17	Such term shall include wages paid without regard to
18	whether the employee performs no services, performs
19	services at a different place of employment than such
20	principal place of employment, or performs services
21	at such principal place of employment before signifi-
22	cant operations have resumed.
23	(c) CERTAIN RULES TO APPLY.—For purposes of this
24	subsection, rules similar to the rules of sections $51(i)(1)$ ,

52, and 280C(a), of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986,
 shall apply.

3 (d) EMPLOYEE NOT TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT MORE
4 THAN ONCE.—An employee shall not be treated as an eligi5 ble employee for purposes of this subsection for any period
6 with respect to any employer if such employer is allowed
7 a credit under section 51 of the Internal Revenue Code of
8 1986 with respect to such employee for such period.

# 9 SEC. 104. OTHER DISASTER-RELATED TAX RELIEF PROVI10 SIONS.

11 (a) TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF LIMITATIONS ON
12 CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise provided
in paragraph (2), subsection (b) of section 170 of the
Internal Revenue Code of 1986 shall not apply to
qualified contributions and such contributions shall
not be taken into account for purposes of applying
subsections (b) and (d) of such section to other contributions.

20 (2) TREATMENT OF EXCESS CONTRIBUTIONS.—
21 For purposes of section 170 of the Internal Revenue
22 Code of 1986—

23 (A) INDIVIDUALS.—In the case of an indi24 vidual—

1	(i) LIMITATION.—Any qualified con-
2	tribution shall be allowed only to the extent
3	that the aggregate of such contributions does
4	not exceed the excess of the taxpayer's con-
5	tribution base (as defined in subparagraph
6	(H) of section $170(b)(1)$ of such Code) over
7	the amount of all other charitable contribu-
8	tions allowed under section $170(b)(1)$ of
9	such Code.
10	(ii) CARRYOVER.—If the aggregate
11	amount of qualified contributions made in
12	the contribution year (within the meaning
13	of section $170(d)(1)$ of such Code) exceeds
14	the limitation of clause (i), such excess shall
15	be added to the excess described in the por-
16	tion of subparagraph $(A)$ of such section
17	which precedes clause (i) thereof for pur-
18	poses of applying such section.
19	(B) CORPORATIONS.—In the case of a cor-
20	poration—
21	(i) LIMITATION.—Any qualified con-
22	tribution shall be allowed only to the extent
23	that the aggregate of such contributions does
24	not exceed the excess of the taxpayer's tax-
25	able income (as determined under para-

1	graph (2) of section 170(b) of such Code)
2	over the amount of all other charitable con-
3	tributions allowed under such paragraph.
4	(ii) CARRYOVER.—Rules similar to the
5	rules of subparagraph $(A)(ii)$ shall apply
6	for purposes of this subparagraph.
7	(3) QUALIFIED CONTRIBUTIONS.—
8	(A) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of this sub-
9	section, the term "qualified contribution" means
10	any charitable contribution (as defined in sec-
11	tion 170(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of
12	1986) if—
13	(i) such contribution—
14	(I) is paid during the period be-
15	ginning on February 7, 2018, and end-
16	ing on December 31, 2018, in cash to
17	an organization described in section
18	170(b)(1)(A) of such Code, and
19	(II) is made for relief efforts in
20	one or more qualified disaster areas,
21	(ii) the taxpayer obtains from such or-
22	ganization contemporaneous written ac-
23	knowledgment (within the meaning of sec-
24	tion $170(f)(8)$ of such Code) that such con-

1	tribution was used (or is to be used) for re-
2	lief efforts described in clause $(i)(II)$ , and
3	(iii) the taxpayer has elected the appli-
4	cation of this subsection with respect to such
5	contribution.
6	(B) EXCEPTION.—Such term shall not in-
7	clude a contribution by a donor if the contribu-
8	tion is—
9	(i) to an organization described in sec-
10	tion 509(a)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code
11	of 1986, or
12	(ii) for the establishment of a new, or
13	maintenance of an existing, donor advised
14	fund (as defined in section $4966(d)(2)$ of
15	such Code).
16	(C) Application of election to part-
17	NERSHIPS AND 8 CORPORATIONS.—In the case of
18	a partnership or S corporation, the election
19	under subparagraph (A)(iii) shall be made sepa-
20	rately by each partner or shareholder.
21	(b) Special Rules for Qualified Disaster-re-
22	lated Personal Casualty Losses.—
23	(1) IN GENERAL.—If an individual has a net
24	disaster loss for any taxable year—

1	(A) the amount determined under section
2	165(h)(2)(A)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code of
3	1986 shall be equal to the sum of—
4	(i) such net disaster loss, and
5	(ii) so much of the excess referred to in
6	the matter preceding clause $(i)$ of section
7	165(h)(2)(A) of such Code (reduced by the
8	amount in clause (i) of this subparagraph)
9	as exceeds 10 percent of the adjusted gross
10	income of the individual,
11	(B) section $165(h)(1)$ of such Code shall be
12	applied by substituting "\$500" for "\$500 (\$100
13	for taxable years beginning after December 31,
14	2009)",
15	(C) the standard deduction determined
16	under section 63(c) of such Code shall be in-
17	creased by the net disaster loss, and
18	(D) section $56(b)(1)(E)$ of such Code shall
19	not apply to so much of the standard deduction
20	as is attributable to the increase under subpara-
21	graph (C) of this paragraph.
22	(2) Net disaster loss.—For purposes of this
23	subsection, the term "net disaster loss" means the ex-
24	cess of qualified disaster-related personal casualty
25	losses over personal casualty gains (as defined in sec-

tion 165(h)(3)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code of
 1986).

3	(3) QUALIFIED DISASTER-RELATED PERSONAL
4	CASUALTY LOSSES.—For purposes of this subsection,
5	the term "qualified disaster-related personal casualty
6	losses" means losses described in section $165(c)(3)$ of
7	the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 which arise in a
8	qualified disaster area on or after the incident begin-
9	ning date of the qualified disaster to which such area
10	relates, and which are attributable to such qualified
11	disaster.

12 (c) Special Rule for Determining Earned In-13 come.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a qualified individual, if the earned income of the taxpayer for the
applicable taxable year is less than the earned income
of the taxpayer for the preceding taxable year, the
credits allowed under sections 24(d) and 32 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 may, at the election of
the taxpayer, be determined by substituting—

21 (A) such earned income for the preceding
22 taxable year, for

23 (B) such earned income for the applicable
24 taxable year.

1	(2) QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL.—For purposes of
2	this subsection, the term "qualified individual" means
3	any individual whose principal place of abode at any
4	time during the incident period of any qualified dis-
5	aster was located—
6	(A) in the qualified disaster zone with re-
7	spect to such qualified disaster, or
8	(B) in the qualified disaster area with re-
9	spect to such qualified disaster (but outside the
10	qualified disaster zone with respect to such quali-
11	fied disaster) and such individual was displaced
12	from such principal place of abode by reason of
13	such qualified disaster.
13 14	such qualified disaster. (3) APPLICABLE TAXABLE YEAR.—The term "ap-
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14 15	(3) APPLICABLE TAXABLE YEAR.—The term "applicable taxable year" means, with respect to any
14 15 16	(3) APPLICABLE TAXABLE YEAR.—The term "ap- plicable taxable year" means, with respect to any qualified individual, any taxable year which includes
14 15 16 17	(3) APPLICABLE TAXABLE YEAR.—The term "ap- plicable taxable year" means, with respect to any qualified individual, any taxable year which includes any day during the incident period of the qualified
14 15 16 17 18	(3) APPLICABLE TAXABLE YEAR.—The term "ap- plicable taxable year" means, with respect to any qualified individual, any taxable year which includes any day during the incident period of the qualified disaster to which the qualified disaster area referred
14 15 16 17 18 19	(3) APPLICABLE TAXABLE YEAR.—The term "applicable taxable year" means, with respect to any qualified individual, any taxable year which includes any day during the incident period of the qualified disaster to which the qualified disaster area referred to in paragraph (2) relates.
<ol> <li>14</li> <li>15</li> <li>16</li> <li>17</li> <li>18</li> <li>19</li> <li>20</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>(3) APPLICABLE TAXABLE YEAR.—The term "applicable taxable year" means, with respect to any qualified individual, any taxable year which includes any day during the incident period of the qualified disaster to which the qualified disaster area referred to in paragraph (2) relates.</li> <li>(4) EARNED INCOME.—For purposes of this sub-</li> </ul>
<ol> <li>14</li> <li>15</li> <li>16</li> <li>17</li> <li>18</li> <li>19</li> <li>20</li> <li>21</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>(3) APPLICABLE TAXABLE YEAR.—The term "applicable taxable year" means, with respect to any qualified individual, any taxable year which includes any day during the incident period of the qualified disaster to which the qualified disaster area referred to in paragraph (2) relates.</li> <li>(4) EARNED INCOME.—For purposes of this subsection, the term "earned income" has the meaning</li> </ul>

1	(A) Application to joint returns.—For
2	purposes of paragraph (1), in the case of a joint
3	return for an applicable taxable year—
4	(i) such paragraph shall apply if ei-
5	ther spouse is a qualified individual, and
6	(ii) the earned income of the taxpayer
7	for the preceding taxable year shall be the
8	sum of the earned income of each spouse for
9	such preceding taxable year.
10	(B) Uniform Application of election.—
11	Any election made under paragraph (1) shall
12	apply with respect to both sections $24(d)$ and $32$
13	of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.
14	(C) ERRORS TREATED AS MATHEMATICAL
15	ERROR.—For purposes of section 6213 of the In-
16	ternal Revenue Code of 1986, an incorrect use on
17	a return of earned income pursuant to para-
18	graph (1) shall be treated as a mathematical or
18 19	graph (1) shall be treated as a mathematical or clerical error.
19	clerical error.
19 20	clerical error. (D) No effect on determination of
19 20 21	clerical error. (D) NO EFFECT ON DETERMINATION OF GROSS INCOME, ETC.—Except as otherwise pro-

## 1 SEC. 105. TREATMENT OF CERTAIN POSSESSIONS.

2 (a) Payments to Guam and the Commonwealth of 3 THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall pay to Guam and the Commonwealth of the 4 5 Northern Mariana Islands amounts equal to the loss to that possession by reason of the application of the provisions of 6 7 this title. Such amounts shall be determined by the Sec-8 retary of the Treasury based on information provided by 9 the government of the respective possession.

10 (b) Payments to American Samoa.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Treasury 12 shall pay to American Samoa amounts estimated by 13 the Secretary of the Treasury as being equal to the 14 aggregate benefits that would have been provided to 15 residents of American Samoa by reason of the provi-16 sions of this title if a mirror code tax system had been 17 in effect in American Samoa. The preceding sentence 18 shall not apply unless American Samoa has a plan, 19 which has been approved by the Secretary of the 20 under which American Samoa Treasury, -will21 promptly distribute such payments to its residents.

(2) MIRROR CODE TAX SYSTEM.—For purposes
of this subsection, the term "mirror code tax system"
means, with respect to any possession of the United
States, the income tax system of such possession if the
income tax liability of the residents of such possession

under such system is determined by reference to the
 income tax laws of the United States as if such pos session were the United States.

4 (c) TREATMENT OF PAYMENTS.—For purposes of sec5 tion 1324 of title 31, United States Code, the payments
6 under this section shall be treated in the same manner as
7 a refund due from a credit provision referred to in sub8 section (b)(2) of such section.

## 9 SEC. 106. AUTOMATIC EXTENSION OF FILING DEADLINE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 7508A is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

12 "(d) MANDATORY 60-DAY EXTENSION.—In the case 13 of—

"(1) any individual whose principal place of
abode is in a disaster area (as defined in section
165(i)(5)(B)), and

17 "(2) any taxpayer if the taxpayer's principal
18 place of business (other than the business of per19 forming services of an employee) is located in a dis20 aster area (as so defined),

21 the period beginning on the earliest incident date specified
22 in the declaration to which such area relates and ending
23 on the date which is 60 days after the latest incident date
24 so specified shall be disregarded in the same manner as a
25 period specified under subsection (a).".

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1	(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this
2	section shall apply to Federally declared disasters declared
3	after December 31, 2017.
4	TITLE II—RETIREMENT AND
5	SAVINGS
6	Subtitle A—Expanding and
7	<b>Preserving Retirement Savings</b>
8	SEC. 201. MULTIPLE EMPLOYER PLANS; POOLED EMPLOYER
9	PLANS.
10	(a) QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.—
11	(1) In general.—Section 413 is amended by
12	adding at the end the following new subsection:
13	"(e) Application of Qualification Requirements
14	FOR CERTAIN MULTIPLE EMPLOYER PLANS WITH POOLED
15	PLAN PROVIDERS.—
16	"(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
17	graph (2), if a defined contribution plan to which
18	subsection (c) applies—
19	"(A) is maintained by employers which
20	have a common interest other than having adopt-
21	ed the plan, or
22	``(B) in the case of a plan not described in
23	subparagraph (A), has a pooled plan provider,
24	then the plan shall not be treated as failing to meet
25	the requirements under this title applicable to a plan

1	described in section 401(a) or to a plan that consists
2	of individual retirement accounts described in section
3	408 (including by reason of subsection (c) thereof),
4	whichever is applicable, merely because one or more
5	employers of employees covered by the plan fail to
6	take such actions as are required of such employers
7	for the plan to meet such requirements.
8	"(2) Limitations.—
9	"(A) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (1) shall
10	not apply to any plan unless the terms of the
11	plan provide that in the case of any employer in
12	the plan failing to take the actions described in
13	paragraph (1)—
14	"(i) the assets of the plan attributable
15	to employees of such employer (or bene-
16	ficiaries of such employees) will be trans-
17	ferred to a plan maintained only by such
18	employer (or its successor), to an eligible re-
19	tirement plan as defined in section
20	402(c)(8)(B) for each individual whose ac-
21	count is transferred, or to any other ar-
22	rangement that the Secretary determines is
23	appropriate, unless the Secretary deter-
24	mines it is in the best interests of the em-
25	ployees of such employer (and the bene-

1	ficiaries of such employees) to retain the as-
2	sets in the plan, and
3	"(ii) such employer (and not the plan
4	with respect to which the failure occurred or
5	any other employer in such plan) shall, ex-
6	cept to the extent provided by the Secretary,
7	be liable for any liabilities with respect to
8	such plan attributable to employees of such
9	employer (or beneficiaries of such employ-
10	ees).
11	"(B) FAILURES BY POOLED PLAN PRO-
12	VIDERS.—If the pooled plan provider of a plan
13	described in paragraph $(1)(B)$ does not perform
14	substantially all of the administrative duties
15	which are required of the provider under para-
16	graph $(3)(A)(i)$ for any plan year, the Secretary
17	may provide that the determination as to wheth-
18	er the plan meets the requirements under this
19	title applicable to a plan described in section
20	401(a) or to a plan that consists of individual
21	retirement accounts described in section 408 (in-
22	cluding by reason of subsection (c) thereof),
23	whichever is applicable, shall be made in the
24	same manner as would be made without regard
25	to paragraph (1).

"(3) Pooled plan provider.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of this
subsection, the term 'pooled plan provider'
means, with respect to any plan, a person who-
((i) is designated by the terms of the
plan as a named fiduciary (within the
meaning of section $402(a)(2)$ of the Em-
ployee Retirement Income Security Act of
1974), as the plan administrator, and as
the person responsible to perform all admin-
istrative duties (including conducting prop-
er testing with respect to the plan and the
employees of each employer in the plan)
which are reasonably necessary to ensure
that—
``(I) the plan meets any require-
ment applicable under the Employee
Retirement Income Security Act of
1974 or this title to a plan described in
section 401(a) or to a plan that con-
sists of individual retirement accounts
described in section 408 (including by
reason of subsection (c) thereof), which-
ever is applicable, and

1	"(II) each employer in the plan
2	takes such actions as the Secretary or
3	such person determines are necessary
4	for the plan to meet the requirements
5	described in subclause (I), including
6	providing to such person any disclo-
7	sures or other information which the
8	Secretary may require or which such
9	person otherwise determines are nec-
10	essary to administer the plan or to
11	allow the plan to meet such require-
12	ments,
13	"(ii) registers as a pooled plan pro-
14	vider with the Secretary, and provides such
15	other information to the Secretary as the
16	Secretary may require, before beginning op-
17	erations as a pooled plan provider,
18	"(iii) acknowledges in writing that
19	such person is a named fiduciary (within
20	the meaning of section $402(a)(2)$ of the Em-
21	ployee Retirement Income Security Act of
22	1974), and the plan administrator, with re-
23	spect to the plan, and
24	"(iv) is responsible for ensuring that
25	all persons who handle assets of, or who are

1	fiduciaries of, the plan are bonded in ac-
2	cordance with section 412 of the Employee
3	Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.
4	"(B) AUDITS, EXAMINATIONS AND INVES-
5	TIGATIONS.—The Secretary may perform audits,
6	examinations, and investigations of pooled plan
7	providers as may be necessary to enforce and
8	carry out the purposes of this subsection.
9	"(C) Aggregation rules.—For purposes
10	of this paragraph, in determining whether a per-
11	son meets the requirements of this paragraph to
12	be a pooled plan provider with respect to any
13	plan, all persons who perform services for the
14	plan and who are treated as a single employer
15	under subsection (b), (c), (m), or (o) of section
16	414 shall be treated as one person.
17	"(D) TREATMENT OF EMPLOYERS AS PLAN
18	SPONSORS.—Except with respect to the adminis-
19	trative duties of the pooled plan provider de-
20	scribed in subparagraph (A)(i), each employer in
21	a plan which has a pooled plan provider shall
22	be treated as the plan sponsor with respect to the
23	portion of the plan attributable to employees of
24	such employer (or beneficiaries of such employ-
25	ees).

1	"(4) GUIDANCE.—The Secretary shall issue such
2	guidance as the Secretary determines appropriate to
3	carry out this subsection, including guidance—
4	"(A) to identify the administrative duties
5	and other actions required to be performed by a
6	pooled plan provider under this subsection,
7	((B) which describes the procedures to be
8	taken to terminate a plan which fails to meet the
9	requirements to be a plan described in para-
10	graph (1), including the proper treatment of,
11	and actions needed to be taken by, any employer
12	in the plan and the assets and liabilities of the
13	plan attributable to employees of such employer
14	(or beneficiaries of such employees), and
15	(C) identifying appropriate cases to which
16	the rules of paragraph $(2)(A)$ will apply to em-
17	ployers in the plan failing to take the actions de-
18	scribed in paragraph (1).
19	The Secretary shall take into account under subpara-
20	graph (C) whether the failure of an employer or
21	pooled plan provider to provide any disclosures or
22	other information, or to take any other action, nec-
23	essary to administer a plan or to allow a plan to
24	meet requirements applicable to the plan under sec-
25	tion 401(a) or 408, whichever is applicable, has con-

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1	tinued over a period of time that demonstrates a lack
2	of commitment to compliance.
3	"(5) MODEL PLAN.—The Secretary shall publish
4	model plan language which meets the requirements of
5	this subsection and of paragraphs (43) and (44) of
6	section 3 of the Employee Retirement Income Security
7	Act of 1974 and which may be adopted in order for
8	a plan to be treated as a plan described in paragraph
9	(1)(B).".
10	(2) Conforming Amendment.—Section
11	413(c)(2) is amended by striking "section $401(a)$ "
12	and inserting "sections 401(a) and 408(c)".
13	(3) Technical amendment.—Section 408(c) is
14	amended by inserting after paragraph $(2)$ the fol-
15	lowing new paragraph:
16	"(3) There is a separate accounting for any in-
17	terest of an employee or member (or spouse of an em-
18	ployee or member) in a Roth IRA.".
19	(b) No Common Interest Required for Pooled
20	EMPLOYER PLANS.—Section 3(2) of the Employee Retire-
21	ment Income Security Act of 1974 (29 U.S.C. 1002(2)) is
22	amended by adding at the end the following:
23	(C) A pooled employer plan shall be treat-
24	ed as—

"(i) a single employee pension benefit
plan or single pension plan; and
"(ii) a plan to which section $210(a)$
applies.".
(c) Pooled Employer Plan and Provider De-
FINED.—
(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 3 of the Employee Re-
tirement Income Security Act of 1974 (29 U.S.C.
1002) is amended by adding at the end the following:
"(43) Pooled employer plan.—
"(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'pooled em-
ployer plan' means a plan—
"(i) which is an individual account
plan established or maintained for the pur-
pose of providing benefits to the employees
of 2 or more employers;
"(ii) which is a plan described in sec-
tion 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of
1986 which includes a trust exempt from
tax under section 501(a) of such Code or a
plan that consists of individual retirement
accounts described in section 408 of such
Code (including by reason of subsection $(c)$
thereof); and

1	"(iii) the terms of which meet the re-
2	quirements of subparagraph (B).
3	Such term shall not include a plan maintained
4	by employers which have a common interest
5	other than having adopted the plan.
6	"(B) REQUIREMENTS FOR PLAN TERMS.—
7	The requirements of this subparagraph are met
8	with respect to any plan if the terms of the
9	plan—
10	"(i) designate a pooled plan provider
11	and provide that the pooled plan provider is
12	a named fiduciary of the plan;
13	"(ii) designate one or more trustees
14	meeting the requirements of section
15	408(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of
16	1986 (other than an employer in the plan)
17	to be responsible for collecting contributions
18	to, and holding the assets of, the plan and
19	require such trustees to implement written
20	contribution collection procedures that are
21	reasonable, diligent, and systematic;
22	"(iii) provide that each employer in
23	the plan retains fiduciary responsibility
24	for—

((I) the selection and monitoring
in accordance with section $404(a)$ of
the person designated as the pooled
plan provider and any other person
who, in addition to the pooled plan
provider, is designated as a named fi-
duciary of the plan; and
"(II) to the extent not otherwise
delegated to another fiduciary by the
pooled plan provider and subject to the
provisions of section 404(c), the invest-
ment and management of the portion
of the plan's assets attributable to the
employees of the employer (or bene-
ficiaries of such employees);
"(iv) provide that employers in the
plan, and participants and beneficiaries,
are not subject to unreasonable restrictions,
fees, or penalties with regard to ceasing
participation, receipt of distributions, or
otherwise transferring assets of the plan in
accordance with section 208 or paragraph
(44)(C)(i)(II);
"(v) require—

1	"(I) the pooled plan provider to
2	provide to employers in the plan any
3	disclosures or other information which
4	the Secretary may require, including
5	any disclosures or other information to
6	facilitate the selection or any moni-
7	toring of the pooled plan provider by
8	employers in the plan; and
9	"(II) each employer in the plan to
10	take such actions as the Secretary or
11	the pooled plan provider determines
12	are necessary to administer the plan or
13	for the plan to meet any requirement
14	applicable under this Act or the Inter-
15	nal Revenue Code of 1986 to a plan de-
16	scribed in section 401(a) of such Code
17	or to a plan that consists of individual
18	retirement accounts described in sec-
19	tion 408 of such Code (including by
20	reason of subsection (c) thereof), which-
21	ever is applicable, including providing
22	any disclosures or other information
23	which the Secretary may require or
24	which the pooled plan provider other-
25	wise determines are necessary to ad-

1	minister the plan or to allow the plan
2	to meet such requirements; and
3	"(vi) provide that any disclosure or
4	other information required to be provided
5	under clause (v) may be provided in elec-
6	tronic form and will be designed to ensure
7	only reasonable costs are imposed on pooled
8	plan providers and employers in the plan.
9	"(C) Exceptions.—The term 'pooled em-
10	ployer plan' does not include—
11	"(i) a multiemployer plan; or
12	"(ii) a plan established before the date
13	of the enactment of the Retirement, Savings,
14	and Other Tax Relief Act of 2018 unless the
15	plan administrator elects that the plan will
16	be treated as a pooled employer plan and
17	the plan meets the requirements of this title
18	applicable to a pooled employer plan estab-
19	lished on or after such date.
20	"(D) TREATMENT OF EMPLOYERS AS PLAN
21	Sponsors.—Except with respect to the adminis-
22	trative duties of the pooled plan provider de-
23	scribed in paragraph $(44)(A)(i)$ , each employer
24	in a pooled employer plan shall be treated as the
25	plan sponsor with respect to the portion of the

1	plan attributable to employees of such employer
2	(or beneficiaries of such employees).
3	"(44) Pooled plan provider.—
4	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'pooled plan
5	provider' means a person who—
6	((i) is designated by the terms of a
7	pooled employer plan as a named fiduciary,
8	as the plan administrator, and as the per-
9	son responsible for the performance of all
10	administrative duties (including conducting
11	proper testing with respect to the plan and
12	the employees of each employer in the plan)
13	which are reasonably necessary to ensure
14	that—
15	"(I) the plan meets any require-
16	ment applicable under this Act or the
17	Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to a
18	plan described in section 401(a) of
19	such Code or to a plan that consists of
20	individual retirement accounts de-
21	scribed in section 408 of such Code (in-
22	cluding by reason of subsection (c)
23	thereof), whichever is applicable; and
24	"(II) each employer in the plan
25	takes such actions as the Secretary or

1	pooled plan provider determines are
2	necessary for the plan to meet the re-
3	quirements described in subclause (I),
4	including providing the disclosures and
5	information described in paragraph
6	(43)(B)(v)(II);
7	"(ii) registers as a pooled plan pro-
8	vider with the Secretary, and provides to
9	the Secretary such other information as the
10	Secretary may require, before beginning op-
11	erations as a pooled plan provider;
12	"(iii) acknowledges in writing that
13	such person is a named fiduciary, and the
14	plan administrator, with respect to the
15	pooled employer plan; and
16	"(iv) is responsible for ensuring that
17	all persons who handle assets of, or who are
18	fiduciaries of, the pooled employer plan are
19	bonded in accordance with section 412.
20	"(B) AUDITS, EXAMINATIONS AND INVES-
21	TIGATIONS.—The Secretary may perform audits,
22	examinations, and investigations of pooled plan
23	providers as may be necessary to enforce and
24	carry out the purposes of this paragraph and
25	paragraph (43).

"(C) GUIDANCE.—The Secretary shall issue 1 2 such guidance as the Secretary determines ap-3 propriate to carry out this paragraph and para-4 graph (43), including guidance— 5 "(i) to identify the administrative du-6 ties and other actions required to be per-7 formed by a pooled plan provider under ei-8 ther such paragraph; and 9 "(ii) which requires in appropriate 10 cases that if an employer in the plan fails 11 to take the actions required under subpara-12 graph(A)(i)(II)13 "(I) the assets of the plan attrib-14 utable to employees of such employer 15 (or beneficiaries of such employees) are 16 transferred to a plan maintained only 17 by such employer (or its successor), to 18 an eligible retirement plan as defined 19 in section 402(c)(8)(B) of the Internal 20 Revenue Code of 1986 for each indi-21 vidual whose account is transferred, or 22 to any other arrangement that the Sec-23 retary determines is appropriate in 24 such guidance; and

1	"(II) such employer (and not the
2	plan with respect to which the failure
3	occurred or any other employer in such
4	plan) shall, except to the extent pro-
5	vided in such guidance, be liable for
6	any liabilities with respect to such
7	plan attributable to employees of such
8	employer (or beneficiaries of such em-
9	ployees).
10	The Secretary shall take into account under
11	clause (ii) whether the failure of an employer or
12	pooled plan provider to provide any disclosures
13	or other information, or to take any other action,
14	necessary to administer a plan or to allow a
15	plan to meet requirements described in subpara-
16	graph (A)(i)(II) has continued over a period of
17	time that demonstrates a lack of commitment to
18	compliance. The Secretary may waive the re-
19	quirements of $subclause$ $(ii)(I)$ in appropriate
20	circumstances if the Secretary determines it is in
21	the best interests of the employees of the employer
22	referred to in such clause (and the beneficiaries
23	of such employees) to retain the assets in the
24	plan with respect to which the employer's failure
25	occurred.

1 "(D) AGGREGATION RULES.—For purposes 2 of this paragraph, in determining whether a per-3 son meets the requirements of this paragraph to 4 be a pooled plan provider with respect to any 5 plan, all persons who perform services for the 6 plan and who are treated as a single employer 7 under subsection (b), (c), (m), or (o) of section 8 414 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 shall 9 be treated as one person.". 10 (2) Bonding requirements for pooled em-11 PLOYER PLANS.—The last sentence of section 412(a)12 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 13 1974 (29 U.S.C. 1112(a)) is amended by inserting 14 "or in the case of a pooled employer plan (as defined 15 in section 3(43))" after "section 407(d)(1))". 16 (3)Conforming and TECHNICAL AMEND-17 MENTS.—Section 3 of the Employee Retirement In-18 come Security Act of 1974 (29 U.S.C. 1002) is 19 amended— 20 (A) in paragraph (16)(B)— 21 (i) by striking "or" at the end of clause 22 (ii); and 23 (ii) by striking the period at the end

pooled employer plan, the pooled plan pro-
vider."; and
(B) by striking the second paragraph (41).
(d) Pooled Employer and Multiple Employer
PLAN REPORTING.—
(1) Additional information.—Section 103 of
the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of
1974 (29 U.S.C. 1023) is amended—
(A) in subsection $(a)(1)(B)$ , by striking
"applicable subsections (d), (e), and (f)" and in-
serting "applicable subsections (d), (e), (f), and
(g)"; and
(B) by amending subsection $(g)$ to read as
follows:
"(g) Additional Information With Respect to
Pooled Employer and Multiple Employer Plans.—
An annual report under this section for a plan year shall
include—
"(1) with respect to any plan to which section
210(a) applies (including a pooled employer plan), a
list of employers in the plan, a good faith estimate of
the percentage of total contributions made by such
employers during the plan year, and the aggregate ac-
employers during the plan year, and the aggregate ac- count balances attributable to each employer in the

1	of the employees of such employer (and the bene-
2	ficiaries of such employees)); and
3	"(2) with respect to a pooled employer plan, the
4	identifying information for the person designated
5	under the terms of the plan as the pooled plan pro-
6	vider.".
7	(2) SIMPLIFIED ANNUAL REPORTS.—Section
8	104(a) of the Employee Retirement Income Security
9	Act of 1974 (29 U.S.C. 1024(a)) is amended by strik-
10	ing paragraph $(2)(A)$ and inserting the following:
11	"(2)(A) With respect to annual reports required
12	to be filed with the Secretary under this part, the Sec-
13	retary may by regulation prescribe simplified annual
14	reports for any pension plan that—
15	"(i) covers fewer than 100 participants; or
16	"(ii) is a plan described in section $210(a)$
17	that covers fewer than 1,000 participants, but
18	only if no single employer in the plan has 100
19	or more participants covered by the plan.".
20	(e) Effective Date.—
21	(1) IN GENERAL.—The amendments made by
22	this section shall apply to plan years beginning after
23	December 31, 2019.
24	(2) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in the
25	amendments made by subsection (a) shall be con-

1	strued as limiting the authority of the Secretary of
2	the Treasury or the Secretary's delegate (determined
3	without regard to such amendments) to provide for
4	the proper treatment of a failure to meet any require-
5	ment applicable under the Internal Revenue Code of
6	1986 with respect to one employer (and its employees)
7	in a multiple employer plan.
8	SEC. 202. RULES RELATING TO ELECTION OF SAFE HARBOR
9	401(k) STATUS.
10	(a) Limitation of Annual Safe Harbor Notice to
11	MATCHING CONTRIBUTION PLANS.—
12	(1) IN GENERAL.—Section $401(k)(12)(A)$ is
13	amended by striking "if such arrangement" and all
14	that follows and inserting "if such arrangement—
15	"(i) meets the contribution require-
16	ments of subparagraph $(B)$ and the notice
17	requirements of subparagraph (D), or
18	"(ii) meets the contribution require-
19	ments of subparagraph (C).".
20	(2) AUTOMATIC CONTRIBUTION ARRANGE-
21	MENTS.—Section 401(k)(13)(B) is amended by strik-
22	ing "means" and all that follows and inserting
23	"means a cash or deferred arrangement—
24	"(i) which is described in subpara-
25	graph $(D)(i)(I)$ and meets the applicable re-

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1	quirements of $subparagraphs$ (C) $through$
2	(E), or
3	"(ii) which is described in subpara-
4	graph $(D)(i)(II)$ and meets the applicable
5	requirements of $subparagraphs$ (C) and
6	<i>(D)."</i> .
7	(b) NONELECTIVE CONTRIBUTIONS.—Section
8	401(k)(12) is amended by redesignating subparagraph (F)
9	as subparagraph $(G)$ , and by inserting after subparagraph
10	(E) the following new subparagraph:
11	"(F) TIMING OF PLAN AMENDMENT FOR EM-
12	PLOYER MAKING NONELECTIVE CONTRIBU-
13	TIONS.—
14	"(i) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided
15	in clause (ii), a plan may be amended after
16	the beginning of a plan year to provide that
17	the requirements of subparagraph $(C)$ shall
18	apply to the arrangement for the plan year,
19	but only if the amendment is adopted—
20	"( $I$ ) at any time before the 30th
21	day before the close of the plan year, or
22	"(II) at any time before the last
23	day under paragraph (8)(A) for dis-
24	tributing excess contributions for the
25	plan year.

1	"(ii) Exception where plan pro-
2	VIDED FOR MATCHING CONTRIBUTIONS.—
3	Clause (i) shall not apply to any plan year
4	if the plan provided at any time during the
5	plan year that the requirements of subpara-
6	graph (B) or paragraph $(13)(D)(i)(I)$ ap-
7	plied to the plan year.
8	"(iii) 4-PERCENT CONTRIBUTION RE-
9	QUIREMENT.—Clause $(i)(II)$ shall not apply
10	to an arrangement unless the amount of the
11	$contributions \ described \ in \ subparagraph \ (C)$
12	which the employer is required to make
13	under the arrangement for the plan year
14	with respect to any employee is an amount
15	equal to at least 4 percent of the employee's
16	compensation.".
17	(c) AUTOMATIC CONTRIBUTION ARRANGEMENTS.—
18	Section $401(k)(13)$ is amended by adding at the end the
19	following:
20	"(F) TIMING OF PLAN AMENDMENT FOR EM-
21	PLOYER MAKING NONELECTIVE CONTRIBU-
22	TIONS.—
23	"(i) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided
24	in clause (ii), a plan may be amended after
25	the beginning of a plan year to provide that

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1	the requirements of subparagraph $(D)(i)(II)$
2	shall apply to the arrangement for the plan
3	year, but only if the amendment is adopt-
4	ed—
5	"(I) at any time before the $30th$
6	day before the close of the plan year, or
7	"(II) at any time before the last
8	day under paragraph (8)(A) for dis-
9	tributing excess contributions for the
10	plan year.
11	"(ii) Exception where plan pro-
12	VIDED FOR MATCHING CONTRIBUTIONS.—
13	Clause (i) shall not apply to any plan year
14	if the plan provided at any time during the
15	plan year that the requirements of subpara-
16	graph $(D)(i)(I)$ or paragraph $(12)(B)$ ap-
17	plied to the plan year.
18	"(iii) 4-percent contribution re-
19	QUIREMENT.—Clause $(i)(II)$ shall not apply
20	to an arrangement unless the amount of the
21	contributions described in subparagraph
22	(D)(i)(II) which the employer is required to
23	make under the arrangement for the plan
24	year with respect to any employee is an

amount equal to at least 4 percent of the
 employee's compensation.".
 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this
 section shall apply to plan years beginning after December
 31, 2018.

## 6 SEC. 203. CERTAIN TAXABLE NON-TUITION FELLOWSHIP 7 AND STIPEND PAYMENTS TREATED AS COM8 PENSATION FOR IRA PURPOSES.

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 219(f)(1) is amended by 10 adding at the end the following: "The term 'compensation' 11 shall include any amount included in gross income and 12 paid to an individual to aid the individual in the pursuit 13 of graduate or postdoctoral study.".

14 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this
15 section shall apply to taxable years beginning after Decem16 ber 31, 2018.

## 17 SEC. 204. REPEAL OF MAXIMUM AGE FOR TRADITIONAL IRA 18 CONTRIBUTIONS.

19 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 219(d) is amended by strik20 ing paragraph (1).

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 408A(c) is
amended by striking paragraph (4) and by redesignating
paragraphs (5), (6), and (7) as paragraphs (4), (5), and
(6), respectively.

1 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this 2 section shall apply to contributions made for taxable years 3 beginning after December 31, 2018. 4 SEC. 205. QUALIFIED EMPLOYER PLANS PROHIBITED FROM 5 MAKING LOANS THROUGH CREDIT CARDS 6 AND OTHER SIMILAR ARRANGEMENTS. (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 72(p)(2) is amended by re-7 8 designating subparagraph (D) as subparagraph (E) and by 9 inserting after subparagraph (C) the following new sub-10 paragraph: 11 "(D) PROHIBITION OF LOANS THROUGH 12 CREDIT CARDS AND OTHER SIMILAR ARRANGE-13 MENTS.—Notwithstanding subparagraph (A),14 paragraph (1) shall apply to any loan which is 15 made through the use of any credit card or any 16 other similar arrangement.". 17 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by subsection (a) shall apply to loans made after the date of the 18 19 enactment of this Act. 20 SEC. 206. PORTABILITY OF LIFETIME INCOME INVEST-21 MENTS. 22 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 401(a) is amended by in-23 serting after paragraph (37) the following new paragraph: 24 "(38) PORTABILITY OF LIFETIME INCOME IN-25 VESTMENTS.---

1	"(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as may be oth-
2	erwise provided by regulations, a trust forming
3	part of a defined contribution plan shall not be
4	treated as failing to constitute a qualified trust
5	under this section solely by reason of allowing—
6	"(i) qualified distributions of a life-
7	time income investment, or
8	"(ii) distributions of a lifetime income
9	investment in the form of a qualified plan
10	distribution annuity contract,
11	on or after the date that is 90 days prior to the
12	date on which such lifetime income investment is
13	no longer authorized to be held as an investment
14	option under the plan.
15	"(B) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this
16	subsection—
17	"(i) the term 'qualified distribution'
18	means a direct trustee-to-trustee transfer de-
19	scribed in paragraph $(31)(A)$ to an eligible
20	retirement plan (as defined in section
21	402(c)(8)(B)),
22	"(ii) the term 'lifetime income invest-
23	ment' means an investment option which is
24	designed to provide an employee with elec-
25	tion rights—

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1	``(I) which are not uniformly
2	available with respect to other invest-
3	ment options under the plan, and
4	"(II) which are to a lifetime in-
5	come feature available through a con-
6	tract or other arrangement offered
7	under the plan (or under another eligi-
8	ble retirement plan (as so defined), if
9	paid by means of a direct trustee-to-
10	trustee transfer described in paragraph
11	(31)(A) to such other eligible retire-
12	ment plan),
13	"(iii) the term 'lifetime income feature'
14	means—
15	``(I) a feature which guarantees a
16	minimum level of income annually (or
17	more frequently) for at least the re-
18	mainder of the life of the employee or
19	the joint lives of the employee and the
20	employee's designated beneficiary, or
21	"(II) an annuity payable on be-
22	half of the employee under which pay-
23	ments are made in substantially equal
24	periodic payments (not less frequently
25	than annually) over the life of the em-

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1	ployee or the joint lives of the employee
2	and the employee's designated bene-
3	ficiary, and
4	"(iv) the term 'qualified plan distribu-
5	tion annuity contract' means an annuity
6	contract purchased for a participant and
7	distributed to the participant by a plan or
8	contract described in subparagraph $(B)$ of
9	section $402(c)(8)$ (without regard to clauses
10	(i) and (ii) thereof).".
11	(b) Cash or Deferred Arrangement.—
12	(1) IN GENERAL.—Section $401(k)(2)(B)(i)$ is
13	amended by striking "or" at the end of subclause
14	(IV), by striking "and" at the end of subclause (V)
15	and inserting "or", and by adding at the end the fol-
16	lowing new subclause:
17	"(VI) except as may be otherwise
18	provided by regulations, with respect to
19	amounts invested in a lifetime income
20	investment (as defined in subsection
21	(a)(38)(B)(ii)), the date that is 90
22	days prior to the date that such life-
23	time income investment may no longer
24	be held as an investment option under
25	the arrangement, and".

1	(2) DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENT.—Section
2	401(k)(2)(B), as amended by paragraph (1), is
3	amended by striking "and" at the end of clause (i),
4	by striking the semicolon at the end of clause (ii) and
5	inserting ", and", and by adding at the end the fol-
6	lowing new clause:
7	"(iii) except as may be otherwise pro-
8	vided by regulations, in the case of amounts
9	described in clause (i)(VI), will be distrib-
10	uted only in the form of a qualified dis-
11	tribution (as defined in subsection
12	(a)(38)(B)(i)) or a qualified plan distribu-
13	tion annuity contract (as defined in sub-
14	section $(a)(38)(B)(iv))$ ,".
15	(c) Section 403(b) Plans.—
16	(1) ANNUITY CONTRACTS.—Section 403(b)(11) is
17	amended by striking "or" at the end of subparagraph
18	(B), by striking the period at the end of subparagraph
19	(C) and inserting ", or", and by inserting after sub-
20	paragraph (C) the following new subparagraph:
21	"(D) except as may be otherwise provided
22	by regulations, with respect to amounts invested
23	in a lifetime income investment (as defined in
24	section $401(a)(38)(B)(ii))$ —

1	"(i) on or after the date that is 90
2	days prior to the date that such lifetime in-
3	come investment may no longer be held as
4	an investment option under the contract,
5	and
6	"(ii) in the form of a qualified dis-
7	tribution (as defined in section
8	401(a)(38)(B)(i)) or a qualified plan dis-
9	tribution annuity contract (as defined in
10	section $401(a)(38)(B)(iv))$ .".
11	(2) CUSTODIAL ACCOUNTS.—Section
12	403(b)(7)(A) is amended by striking "if—" and all
13	that follows and inserting "if the amounts are to be
14	invested in regulated investment company stock to be
15	held in that custodial account, and under the custo-
16	dial account—
17	"(i) no such amounts may be paid or
18	made available to any distributee (unless
19	such amount is a distribution to which sec-
20	tion $72(t)(2)(G)$ applies) before—
21	"(I) the employee dies,
22	((II) the employee attains age
23	59 <sup>1</sup> /2,
24	"(III) the employee has a sever-
25	ance from employment,

1	((IV) the employee becomes dis-
2	abled (within the meaning of section
3	72(m)(7)),
4	((V) in the case of contributions
5	made pursuant to a salary reduction
6	agreement (within the meaning of sec-
7	tion $3121(a)(5)(D)$ , the employee en-
8	counters financial hardship, or
9	"(VI) except as may be otherwise
10	provided by regulations, with respect to
11	amounts invested in a lifetime income
12	investment (as defined in section
13	401(a)(38)(B)(ii)), the date that is 90
14	days prior to the date that such life-
15	time income investment may no longer
16	be held as an investment option under
17	the contract, and
18	"(ii) in the case of amounts described
19	in clause (i)(VI), such amounts will be dis-
20	tributed only in the form of a qualified dis-
21	tribution (as defined in section
22	401(a)(38)(B)(i)) or a qualified plan dis-
23	tribution annuity contract (as defined in
24	section 401(a)(38)(B)(iv)).".
25	(d) Eligible Deferred Compensation Plans.—

1	(1) IN GENERAL.—Section $457(d)(1)(A)$ is
2	amended by striking "or" at the end of clause (ii), by
3	inserting "or" at the end of clause (iii), and by add-
4	ing after clause (iii) the following:
5	"(iv) except as may be otherwise pro-
6	vided by regulations, in the case of a plan
7	maintained by an employer described in
8	subsection $(e)(1)(A)$ , with respect to
9	amounts invested in a lifetime income in-
10	vestment (as defined in section
11	401(a)(38)(B)(ii)), the date that is 90 days
12	prior to the date that such lifetime income
13	investment may no longer be held as an in-
14	vestment option under the plan,".
15	(2) DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENT.—Section
16	457(d)(1) is amended by striking "and" at the end of
17	subparagraph (B), by striking the period at the end
18	of subparagraph $(C)$ and inserting ", and", and by
19	inserting after subparagraph (C) the following new
20	subparagraph:
21	(D) except as may be otherwise provided
22	by regulations, in the case of amounts described
23	in subparagraph (A)( $iv$ ), such amounts will be
24	distributed only in the form of a qualified dis-
25	tribution (as defined in section $401(a)(38)(B)(i)$ )

or a qualified plan distribution annuity contract
 (as defined in section 401(a)(38)(B)(iv)).".
 (e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this
 section shall apply to plan years beginning after December
 31, 2018.

## 6 SEC. 207. TREATMENT OF CUSTODIAL ACCOUNTS ON TER7 MINATION OF SECTION 403(b) PLANS.

8 Not later than six months after the date of enactment 9 of this Act, the Secretary of the Treasury shall issue guid-10 ance to provide that, if an employer terminates the plan 11 under which amounts are contributed to a custodial account 12 under subparagraph (A) of section 403(b)(7), the plan ad-13 ministrator or custodian may distribute an individual custodial account in kind to a participant or beneficiary of 14 15 the plan and the distributed custodial account shall be maintained by the custodian on a tax-deferred basis as a 16 17 section 403(b)(7) custodial account, similar to the treatment 18 of fully-paid individual annuity contracts under Revenue 19 Ruling 2011–7, until amounts are actually paid to the participant or beneficiary. The guidance shall provide further 20 21 (i) that the section 403(b)(7) status of the distributed custo-22 dial account is generally maintained if the custodial ac-23 count thereafter adheres to the requirements of section 24 403(b) that are in effect at the time of the distribution of 25 the account and (ii) that a custodial account would not be

considered distributed to the participant or beneficiary if
 the employer has any material retained rights under the
 account (but the employer would not be treated as retaining
 material rights simply because the custodial account was
 originally opened under a group contract).

## 6 SEC. 208. CLARIFICATION OF RETIREMENT INCOME AC-7 COUNT RULES RELATING TO CHURCH-CON-8 TROLLED ORGANIZATIONS.

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 403(b)(9)(B) is amended 10 by inserting "(including an employee described in section 11 414(e)(3)(B))" after "employee described in paragraph 12 (1)".

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this
section shall apply to years beginning before, on, or after
the date of the enactment of this Act.

16SEC. 209. INCREASE IN 10 PERCENT CAP FOR AUTOMATIC17ENROLLMENT SAFE HARBOR AFTER 1ST PLAN18YEAR.

19 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 401(k)(13)(C)(iii) is
20 amended by striking "does not exceed 10 percent" and in21 serting "does not exceed 15 percent (10 percent during the
22 period described in subclause (I))".

23 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this
24 section shall apply to plan years beginning after December
25 31, 2018.

1	SEC. 210. INCREASE IN CREDIT LIMITATION FOR SMALL EM-
2	PLOYER PENSION PLAN STARTUP COSTS.
3	(a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (1) of section $45E(b)$ is
4	amended to read as follows:
5	"(1) for the first credit year and each of the $2$
6	taxable years immediately following the first credit
7	year, the greater of—
8	"(A) \$500, or
9	"( $B$ ) the lesser of—
10	"(i) \$250 for each employee of the eli-
11	gible employer who is not a highly com-
12	pensated employee (as defined in section
13	414(q)) and who is eligible to participate in
14	the eligible employer plan maintained by
15	the eligible employer, or
16	"(ii) \$1,500, and".
17	(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this
18	section shall apply to taxable years beginning after Decem-
19	ber 31, 2018.
20	SEC. 211. SMALL EMPLOYER AUTOMATIC ENROLLMENT
21	CREDIT.
22	(a) IN GENERAL.—Section $45E$ is amended by adding
23	at the end the following new subsection:".
24	"(f) Credit for Auto-enrollment Option for Re-
25	TIREMENT SAVINGS OPTIONS.—

1	"(1) In general.—The credit allowed under
2	subsection (a) for any taxable year during an eligible
3	employer's retirement auto-enrollment credit period
4	shall be increased (without regard to subsection (b))
5	<i>by \$500.</i>
6	"(2) Retirement Auto-enrollment credit
7	PERIOD.—
8	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The retirement auto-en-
9	rollment credit period with respect to any eligi-
10	ble employer is the 3-taxable-year period begin-
11	ning with the first taxable year for which the
12	employer includes an eligible automatic con-
13	tribution arrangement (as defined in section
14	414(w)(3)) in a qualified employer plan (as de-
15	fined in section $4972(d)$ ) sponsored by the em-
16	ployer.
17	"(B) Maintenance of Arrangement.—No
18	taxable year with respect to an employer shall be
19	treated as occurring within the retirement auto-
20	enrollment credit period unless the arrangement
21	described in subparagraph (A) is included in the
22	plan for such year.
23	"(3) NOT LIMITED TO NEW PLANS.—This sub-
24	section shall be applied without regard to subsection
25	(c)(2).".

1	(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this
2	section shall apply to taxable years beginning after Decem-
3	ber 31, 2018.
4	SEC. 212. EXEMPTION FROM REQUIRED MINIMUM DIS-
5	TRIBUTION RULES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH
6	CERTAIN ACCOUNT BALANCES.
7	(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 401(a)(9) is amended by
8	adding at the end the following new subparagraph:
9	"(H) Exception from required minimum
10	DISTRIBUTIONS DURING LIFE OF EMPLOYEE
11	WHERE ASSETS DO NOT EXCEED \$50,000
12	"(i) In general.—If on the last day
13	of any calendar year the aggregate value of
14	an employee's entire interest under all ap-
15	plicable eligible retirement plans does not
16	exceed \$50,000, then the requirements of
17	subparagraph $(A)$ with respect to any dis-
18	tribution relating to such year shall not
19	apply with respect to such employee.
20	"(ii) Applicable eligible retire-
21	MENT PLAN.—For purposes of this subpara-
22	graph, the term 'applicable eligible retire-
23	ment plan' means an eligible retirement
24	plan (as defined in section $402(c)(8)(B)$ )
25	other than a defined benefit plan.

1	"(iii) Limit on required minimum
2	distribution.—The required minimum
3	distribution determined under subpara-
4	graph (A) for an employee under all appli-
5	cable eligible retirement plans shall not ex-
6	ceed an amount equal to the excess of—
7	((I) the aggregate value of an em-
8	ployee's entire interest under such
9	plans on the last day of the calendar
10	year to which such distribution relates,
11	over
12	"(II) the dollar amount in effect
13	under clause (i) for such calendar year.
14	The Secretary in regulations or other guid-
15	ance may provide how such amount shall be
16	distributed in the case of an individual
17	with more than one applicable eligible re-
18	tirement plan.
19	"(iv) Inflation adjustment.—In the
20	case of any calendar year beginning after
21	2019, the $$50,000$ amount in clause (i) shall
22	be increased by an amount equal to—
23	"(I) such dollar amount, multi-
24	plied by

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1	"(II) the cost of living adjustment
2	determined under section $1(f)(3)$ for
3	the calendar year, determined by sub-
4	stituting 'calendar year 2018' for 'cal-
5	endar year 2016' in subparagraph
6	(A)(ii) thereof.
7	Any increase determined under this clause
8	shall be rounded to the next lowest multiple
9	of \$5,000.
10	"(v) PLAN ADMINISTRATOR RELIANCE
11	on employee certification.—An appli-
12	cable eligible retirement plan described in
13	clause (iii), (iv), (v), or (vi) of section
14	402(c)(8)(B) shall not be treated as failing
15	to meet the requirements of this paragraph
16	in the case of any failure to make a re-
17	quired minimum distribution for a cal-
18	endar year if—
19	``(I) the aggregate value of an em-
20	ployee's entire interest under all appli-
21	cable eligible retirement plans of the
22	employer on the last day of the cal-
23	endar year to which such distribution
24	relates does not exceed the dollar

amount in effect for such year under

2	clause (i), and
3	"(II) the employee certifies that
4	the aggregate value of the employee's
5	entire interest under all applicable eli-
6	gible retirement plans on the last day
7	of the calendar year to which such dis-
8	tribution relates did not exceed the dol-
9	lar amount in effect for such year
10	under clause (i).
11	"(vi) Aggregation rule.—All em-
12	ployers treated as a single employer under
13	subsection (b), (c), (m), or (o) of section 414
14	shall be treated as a single employer for
15	purposes of clause (v).".
16	(b) Plan Administrator Reporting.—Section 6047
17	is amended by redesignating subsection (h) as subsection
18	(i) and by inserting after subsection $(g)$ the following new
19	subsection:
20	"(h) Account Balance for Participants Who
21	HAVE ATTAINED AGE 69.—
22	"(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than January 31
23	of each year, the plan administrator (as defined in
24	section $414(g)$ ) of each applicable eligible retirement
25	plan (as defined in section $401(a)(9)(H)$ ) shall make

1	a return to the Secretary with respect to each partici-
2	pant of such plan who has attained age 69 as of the
3	end of the preceding calendar year which states—
4	``(A) the name and plan number of the
5	plan,
6	((B) the name and address of the plan ad-
7	ministrator,
8	``(C) the name, address, and taxpayer iden-
9	tification number of the participant, and
10	``(D) the account balance of such partici-
11	pant as of the end of the preceding calendar
12	year.
13	"(2) Statement furnished to participant.—
14	Every person required to make a return under para-
15	graph (1) with respect to a participant shall furnish
16	a copy of such return to such participant.
17	"(3) Application to individual retirement
18	PLANS AND ANNUITIES.—In the case of an applicable
19	eligible retirement plan described in clause (i) or (ii)
20	of section $402(c)(8)(B)$ —
21	"(A) any reference in this subsection to the
22	plan administrator shall be treated as a ref-
23	erence to the trustee or issuer, as the case may
24	be, and

1	``(B) any reference in this subsection to the
2	participant shall be treated as a reference to the
3	individual for whom such account or annuity is
4	maintained.".
5	(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this
6	section shall apply to distributions required to be made in
7	calendar years beginning more than 120 days after the date
8	of the enactment of this Act.
9	SEC. 213. ELECTIVE DEFERRALS BY MEMBERS OF THE
10	READY RESERVE OF A RESERVE COMPONENT
11	OF THE ARMED FORCES.
12	(a) IN GENERAL.—Section $402(g)$ is amended by add-
13	ing at the end the following new paragraph:
14	"(9) ELECTIVE DEFERRALS BY MEMBERS OF
15	READY RESERVE.—
16	"(A) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a quali-
17	fied ready reservist for any taxable year, the lim-
18	itations of subparagraphs $(A)$ and $(C)$ of para-
19	graph (1) shall be applied separately with re-
20	spect to—
21	"(i) elective deferrals of such qualified
22	ready reservist with respect to compensation
23	described in subparagraph $(B)$ , and
24	"(ii) all other elective deferrals of such
25	qualified ready reservist.

1	"(B) QUALIFIED READY RESERVIST.—For
2	purposes of this paragraph, the term 'qualified
3	ready reservist' means any individual for any
4	taxable year if such individual received com-
5	pensation for service as a member of the Ready
6	Reserve of a reserve component (as defined in
7	section 101 of title 37, United States Code) dur-
8	ing such taxable year.".
9	(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this
10	section shall apply to plan years beginning after December
11	31, 2018.
12	Subtitle B—Administrative
13	Improvements
13 14	<b>Improvements</b> SEC. 221. PLAN ADOPTED BY FILING DUE DATE FOR YEAR
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1	"(2) ADOPTION OF PLAN.—If an employer adopts
2	a stock bonus, pension, profit-sharing, or annuity
3	plan after the close of a taxable year but before the
4	time prescribed by law for filing the employer's re-
5	turn of tax for the taxable year (including extensions
6	thereof), the employer may elect to treat the plan as
7	having been adopted as of the last day of the taxable
8	year.".
9	(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this
10	section shall apply to plans adopted for taxable years begin-
11	ning after December 31, 2018.
12	SEC. 222. MODIFICATION OF NONDISCRIMINATION RULES
13	TO PROTECT OLDER, LONGER SERVICE PAR-
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14 15	<b>TICIPANTS.</b> (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 401 is amended—
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14 15 16 17	TICIPANTS. (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 401 is amended— (1) by redesignating subsection (0) as subsection (p), and
14 15 16 17 18	TICIPANTS. (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 401 is amended— (1) by redesignating subsection (0) as subsection (p), and (2) by inserting after subsection (n) the following
14 15 16 17 18 19	TICIPANTS. (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 401 is amended— (1) by redesignating subsection (0) as subsection (p), and (2) by inserting after subsection (n) the following new subsection:
<ol> <li>14</li> <li>15</li> <li>16</li> <li>17</li> <li>18</li> <li>19</li> <li>20</li> </ol>	TICIPANTS. (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 401 is amended— (1) by redesignating subsection (0) as subsection (p), and (2) by inserting after subsection (n) the following new subsection: "(0) SPECIAL RULES FOR APPLYING NONDISCRIMINA-
<ol> <li>14</li> <li>15</li> <li>16</li> <li>17</li> <li>18</li> <li>19</li> <li>20</li> <li>21</li> </ol>	TICIPANTS. (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 401 is amended— (1) by redesignating subsection (o) as subsection (p), and (2) by inserting after subsection (n) the following new subsection: "(o) SPECIAL RULES FOR APPLYING NONDISCRIMINA- TION RULES TO PROTECT OLDER, LONGER SERVICE AND

1	"(A) Benefits, rights, or features
2	provided to closed classes.—A defined ben-
3	efit plan which provides benefits, rights, or fea-
4	tures to a closed class of participants shall not
5	fail to satisfy the requirements of subsection
6	(a)(4) by reason of the composition of such closed
7	class or the benefits, rights, or features provided
8	to such closed class, if—
9	"(i) for the plan year as of which the
10	class closes and the 2 succeeding plan years,
11	such benefits, rights, and features satisfy the
12	requirements of subsection $(a)(4)$ (without
13	regard to this subparagraph but taking into
14	account the rules of subparagraph (I)),
15	"(ii) after the date as of which the
16	class was closed, any plan amendment
17	which modifies the closed class or the bene-
18	fits, rights, and features provided to such
19	closed class does not discriminate signifi-
20	cantly in favor of highly compensated em-
21	ployees, and
22	"(iii) the class was closed before April
23	5, 2017, or the plan is described in sub-
24	paragraph (C).

1	"(B) Aggregate testing with defined
2	CONTRIBUTION PLANS PERMITTED ON A BENE-
3	FITS BASIS.—
4	"(i) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of de-
5	termining compliance with subsection $(a)(4)$
6	and section 410(b), a defined benefit plan
7	described in clause (iii) may be aggregated
8	and tested on a benefits basis with 1 or
9	more defined contribution plans, including
10	with the portion of 1 or more defined con-
11	tribution plans which—
12	((I) provides matching contribu-
13	tions (as defined in subsection
14	(m)(4)(A)),
15	"(II) provides annuity contracts
16	described in section 403(b) which are
17	purchased with matching contributions
18	or nonelective contributions, or
19	"(III) consists of an employee
20	stock ownership plan (within the
21	meaning of section 4975(e)(7)) or a tax
22	credit employee stock ownership plan
23	(within the meaning of section $409(a)$ ).
24	"(ii) Special rules for matching
25	CONTRIBUTIONS.—For purposes of clause

1	(i), if a defined benefit plan is aggregated
2	with a portion of a defined contribution
3	plan providing matching contributions—
4	``(I) such defined benefit plan
5	must also be aggregated with any por-
6	tion of such defined contribution plan
7	which provides elective deferrals de-
8	scribed in subparagraph (A) or (C) of
9	section $402(g)(3)$ , and
10	"(II) such matching contributions
11	shall be treated in the same manner as
12	nonelective contributions, including for
13	purposes of applying the rules of sub-
14	section (l).
15	"(iii) Plans described.—A defined
16	benefit plan is described in this clause if—
17	"(I) the plan provides benefits to
18	a closed class of participants,
19	"(II) for the plan year as of which
20	the class closes and the 2 succeeding
21	plan years, the plan satisfies the re-
22	quirements of section 410(b) and sub-
23	section $(a)(4)$ (without regard to this
24	subparagraph but taking into account
25	the rules of subparagraph $(I)$ ),

1	"(III) after the date as of which
2	the class was closed, any plan amend-
3	ment which modifies the closed class or
4	the benefits provided to such closed
5	class does not discriminate signifi-
6	cantly in favor of highly compensated
7	employees, and
8	"(IV) the class was closed before
9	April 5, 2017, or the plan is described
10	in subparagraph (C).
11	"(C) PLANS DESCRIBED.—A plan is de-
12	scribed in this subparagraph if, taking into ac-
13	count any predecessor plan—
14	"(i) such plan has been in effect for at
15	least 5 years as of the date the class is
16	closed, and
17	"(ii) during the 5-year period pre-
18	ceding the date the class is closed, there has
19	not been a substantial increase in the cov-
20	erage or value of the benefits, rights, or fea-
21	tures described in subparagraph $(A)$ or in
22	the coverage or benefits under the plan de-
23	scribed in subparagraph $(B)(iii)$ (whichever
24	is applicable).

1	"(D) Determination of substantial in-
2	CREASE FOR BENEFITS, RIGHTS, AND FEA-
3	TURES.—In applying subparagraph $(C)(ii)$ for
4	purposes of subparagraph (A)(iii), a plan shall
5	be treated as having had a substantial increase
6	in coverage or value of the benefits, rights, or fea-
7	tures described in subparagraph (A) during the
8	applicable 5-year period only if, during such pe-
9	riod—
10	"(i) the number of participants covered
11	by such benefits, rights, or features on the
12	date such period ends is more than 50 per-
13	cent greater than the number of such par-
14	ticipants on the first day of the plan year
15	in which such period began, or
16	"(ii) such benefits, rights, and features
17	have been modified by 1 or more plan
18	amendments in such a way that, as of the
19	date the class is closed, the value of such
20	benefits, rights, and features to the closed
21	class as a whole is substantially greater
22	than the value as of the first day of such 5-
23	year period, solely as a result of such
24	amendments.

1	"(E) Determination of substantial in-
2	CREASE FOR AGGREGATE TESTING ON BENEFITS
3	BASIS.—In applying subparagraph $(C)(ii)$ for
4	purposes of subparagraph $(B)(iii)(IV)$ , a plan
5	shall be treated as having had a substantial in-
6	crease in coverage or benefits during the applica-
7	ble 5-year period only if, during such period—
8	"(i) the number of participants benefit-
9	ting under the plan on the date such period
10	ends is more than 50 percent greater than
11	the number of such participants on the first
12	day of the plan year in which such period
13	began, or
14	"(ii) the average benefit provided to
15	such participants on the date such period
16	ends is more than 50 percent greater than
17	the average benefit provided on the first day
18	of the plan year in which such period
19	began.
20	"(F) CERTAIN EMPLOYEES DIS-
21	REGARDED.—For purposes of subparagraphs $(D)$
22	and (E), any increase in coverage or value or in
23	coverage or benefits, whichever is applicable,
24	which is attributable to such coverage and value
25	or coverage and benefits provided to employees—

1	"(i) who became participants as a re-
2	sult of a merger, acquisition, or similar
3	event which occurred during the 7-year pe-
4	riod preceding the date the class is closed, or
5	"(ii) who became participants by rea-
6	son of a merger of the plan with another
7	plan which had been in effect for at least 5
8	years as of the date of the merger,
9	shall be disregarded, except that clause (ii) shall
10	apply for purposes of subparagraph (D) only if,
11	under the merger, the benefits, rights, or features
12	under 1 plan are conformed to the benefits,
13	rights, or features of the other plan prospectively.
14	"(G) RULES RELATING TO AVERAGE BEN-
15	EFIT.—For purposes of subparagraph $(E)$ —
16	"(i) the average benefit provided to
17	participants under the plan will be treated
18	as having remained the same between the $2$
19	dates described in subparagraph $(E)(ii)$ if
20	the benefit formula applicable to such par-
21	ticipants has not changed between such
22	dates, and
23	"(ii) if the benefit formula applicable
24	to 1 or more participants under the plan
25	has changed between such 2 dates, then the

1	average benefit under the plan shall be con-
2	sidered to have increased by more than 50
3	percent only if—
4	((I) the total amount determined
5	under section $430(b)(1)(A)(i)$ for all
6	participants benefitting under the plan
7	for the plan year in which the 5-year
8	period described in subparagraph $(E)$
9	ends, exceeds
10	"(II) the total amount determined
11	under section $430(b)(1)(A)(i)$ for all
12	such participants for such plan year,
13	by using the benefit formula in effect
14	for each such participant for the first
15	plan year in such 5-year period, by
16	more than 50 percent.
17	In the case of a CSEC plan (as defined in
18	section $414(y)$ ), the normal cost of the plan
19	(as determined under section $433(j)(1)(B)$ )
20	shall be used in lieu of the amount deter-
21	mined under section $430(b)(1)(A)(i)$ .
22	"(H) TREATMENT AS SINGLE PLAN.—For
23	purposes of subparagraphs (E) and (G), a plan
24	described in section $413(c)$ shall be treated as a

1	single plan rather than as separate plans main-
2	tained by each employer in the plan.
3	"(I) Special rules.—For purposes of sub-
4	paragraphs $(A)(i)$ and $(B)(iii)(II)$ , the following
5	rules shall apply:
6	"(i) In applying section $410(b)(6)(C)$ ,
7	the closing of the class of participants shall
8	not be treated as a significant change in
9	coverage under section $410(b)(6)(C)(i)(H)$ .
10	"(ii) 2 or more plans shall not fail to
11	be eligible to be aggregated and treated as
12	a single plan solely by reason of having dif-
13	ferent plan years.
14	"(iii) Changes in the employee popu-
15	lation shall be disregarded to the extent at-
16	tributable to $individuals$ who become em-
17	ployees or cease to be employees, after the
18	date the class is closed, by reason of a merg-
19	er, acquisition, divestiture, or similar event.
20	"(iv) Aggregation and all other testing
21	methodologies $otherwise$ $applicable$ $under$
22	subsection $(a)(4)$ and section 410(b) may be
23	taken into account.
24	The rule of clause (ii) shall also apply for pur-
25	poses of determining whether plans to which sub-

1	paragraph $(B)(i)$ applies may be aggregated and
2	treated as 1 plan for purposes of determining
3	whether such plans meet the requirements of sub-
4	section $(a)(4)$ and section $410(b)$ .
5	"(J) Spun-off plans.—For purposes of
6	this paragraph, if a portion of a defined benefit
7	plan described in subparagraph (A) or $(B)(iii)$
8	is spun off to another employer and the spun-off
9	plan continues to satisfy the requirements of—
10	"(i) $subparagraph$ (A)(i) or
11	(B)(iii)(II), whichever is applicable, if the
12	original plan was still within the 3-year pe-
13	riod described in such subparagraph at the
14	time of the spin off, and
15	"( $ii$ ) subparagraph (A)( $ii$ ) or
16	(B)(iii)(III), whichever is applicable,
17	the treatment under subparagraph (A) or (B) of
18	the spun-off plan shall continue with respect to
19	such other employer.
20	"(2) Testing of defined contribution
21	PLANS.—
22	"(A) TESTING ON A BENEFITS BASIS.—A
23	defined contribution plan shall be permitted to
24	be tested on a benefits basis if—

1	"(i) such defined contribution plan
2	provides make-whole contributions to a
3	closed class of participants whose accruals
4	under a defined benefit plan have been re-
5	duced or eliminated,
6	"(ii) for the plan year of the defined
7	contribution plan as of which the class eli-
8	gible to receive such make-whole contribu-
9	tions closes and the 2 succeeding plan years,
10	such closed class of participants satisfies the
11	requirements of section $410(b)(2)(A)(i)$ (de-
12	termined by applying the rules of para-
13	graph(1)(I)),
14	"(iii) after the date as of which the
15	class was closed, any plan amendment to
16	the defined contribution plan which modi-
17	fies the closed class or the allocations, bene-
18	fits, rights, and features provided to such
19	closed class does not discriminate signifi-
20	cantly in favor of highly compensated em-
21	ployees, and
22	"(iv) the class was closed before April
23	5, 2017, or the defined benefit plan under
24	clause (i) is described in paragraph $(1)(C)$

1	(as applied for purposes of paragraph
2	(1)(B)(iii)(IV)).
3	"(B) Aggregation with plans including
4	MATCHING CONTRIBUTIONS.—
5	"(i) In General.—With respect to 1
6	or more defined contribution plans de-
7	scribed in subparagraph (A), for purposes of
8	determining compliance with subsection
9	(a)(4) and section 410(b), the portion of
10	such plans which provides make-whole con-
11	tributions or other nonelective contributions
12	may be aggregated and tested on a benefits
13	basis with the portion of 1 or more other de-
14	fined contribution plans which—
15	((I) provides matching contribu-
16	tions (as defined in subsection
17	(m)(4)(A)),
18	"(II) provides annuity contracts
19	described in section 403(b) which are
20	purchased with matching contributions
21	or nonelective contributions, or
22	"(III) consists of an employee
23	stock ownership plan (within the
24	meaning of section $4975(e)(7)$ ) or a tax

1	credit employee stock ownership plan
2	(within the meaning of section $409(a)$ ).
3	"(ii) Special rules for matching
4	CONTRIBUTIONS.—Rules similar to the rules
5	of paragraph $(1)(B)(ii)$ shall apply for pur-
6	poses of clause (i).
7	"(C) Special rules for testing de-
8	FINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN FEATURES PRO-
9	VIDING MATCHING CONTRIBUTIONS TO CERTAIN
10	OLDER, LONGER SERVICE PARTICIPANTS.—In the
11	case of a defined contribution plan which pro-
12	vides benefits, rights, or features to a closed class
13	of participants whose accruals under a defined
14	benefit plan have been reduced or eliminated, the
15	plan shall not fail to satisfy the requirements of
16	subsection $(a)(4)$ solely by reason of the composi-
17	tion of the closed class or the benefits, rights, or
18	features provided to such closed class if the de-
19	fined contribution plan and defined benefit plan
20	otherwise meet the requirements of subparagraph
21	(A) but for the fact that the make-whole con-
22	tributions under the defined contribution plan
23	are made in whole or in part through matching
24	contributions.

"(D) SPUN-OFF PLANS.—For purposes of 1 2 this paragraph, if a portion of a defined contribution plan described in subparagraph (A) or 3 4 (C) is spun off to another employer, the treat-5 ment under subparagraph (A) or (C) of the 6 spun-off plan shall continue with respect to the 7 other employer if such plan continues to comply 8 with the requirements of clauses (ii) (if the origi-9 nal plan was still within the 3-year period de-10 scribed in such clause at the time of the spin off) 11 and (iii) of subparagraph (A), as determined for 12 purposes of subparagraph (A) or (C), whichever 13 is applicable. 14 "(3) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this subsection— 15 "(A) 16 Make-whole contributions.—Ex-17 cept as otherwise provided in paragraph (2)(C), 18 the term 'make-whole contributions' means non-19 elective allocations for each employee in the class 20 which are reasonably calculated, in a consistent 21 manner, to replace some or all of the retirement 22 benefits which the employee would have received 23 under the defined benefit plan and any other

24 plan or qualified cash or deferred arrangement
25 under subsection (k)(2) if no change had been

1	made to such defined benefit plan and such other
2	plan or arrangement. For purposes of the pre-
3	ceding sentence, consistency shall not be required
4	with respect to employees who were subject to dif-
5	ferent benefit formulas under the defined benefit
6	plan.
7	"(B) References to closed class of
8	PARTICIPANTS.—References to a closed class of
9	participants and similar references to a closed
10	class shall include arrangements under which 1
11	or more classes of participants are closed, except
12	that 1 or more classes of participants closed on
13	different dates shall not be aggregated for pur-
14	poses of determining the date any such class was
15	closed.
16	"(C) Highly compensated employee.—
17	The term 'highly compensated employee' has the
18	meaning given such term in section $414(q)$ .".
19	(b) PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS.—Section
20	401(a)(26) is amended by adding at the end the following
21	new subparagraph:
22	"(I) PROTECTED PARTICIPANTS.—
23	"(i) IN GENERAL.—A plan shall be
24	deemed to satisfy the requirements of sub-
25	paragraph (A) if—

100 "(I) the plan is amended— 1 2 "(aa) to cease all benefit ac-3 cruals, or 4 "(bb) to provide future ben-5 efit accruals only to a closed class 6 of participants, 7 "(II) the plan satisfies subpara-8 graph (A) (without regard to this sub-9 paragraph) as of the effective date of the amendment, and 10 11 "(III) the amendment was adopt-12 ed before April 5, 2017, or the plan is 13 described in clause (ii). 14 "(ii) PLANS DESCRIBED.—A plan is 15 described in this clause if the plan would be described in subsection (0)(1)(C), as applied 16 17 for purposes of subsection (o)(1)(B)(iii)(IV)18 and by treating the effective date of the 19 amendment as the date the class was closed for purposes of subsection (o)(1)(C). 20

21 "(iii) SPECIAL RULES.—For purposes
22 of clause (i)(II), in applying section
23 410(b)(6)(C), the amendments described in
24 clause (i) shall not be treated as a signifi-

1	cant change in coverage under section
2	410(b)(6)(C)(i)(II).
3	"(iv) Spun-off plans.—For purposes
4	of this subparagraph, if a portion of a plan
5	described in clause (i) is spun off to another
6	employer, the treatment under clause (i) of
7	the spun-off plan shall continue with respect
8	to the other employer.".
9	(c) Effective Date.—
10	(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
11	graph (2), the amendments made by this section shall
12	take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act,
13	without regard to whether any plan modifications re-
14	ferred to in such amendments are adopted or effective
15	before, on, or after such date of enactment.
16	(2) Special rules.—
17	(A) Election of earlier application.—
18	At the election of the plan sponsor, the amend-
19	ments made by this section shall apply to plan
20	years beginning after December 31, 2013.
21	(B) CLOSED CLASSES OF PARTICIPANTS.—
22	For purposes of paragraphs (1)(A)(iii),
23	(1)(B)(iii)(IV), and $(2)(A)(iv)$ of section $401(o)$
24	of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (as added
25	by this section), a closed class of participants

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1	shall be treated as being closed before April 5,
2	2017, if the plan sponsor's intention to create
3	such closed class is reflected in formal written
4	documents and communicated to participants be-
5	fore such date.
6	(C) CERTAIN POST-ENACTMENT PLAN
7	AMENDMENTS.—A plan shall not be treated as
8	failing to be eligible for the application of section
9	401(o)(1)(A), 401(o)(1)(B)(iii), or 401(a)(26) of
10	such Code (as added by this section) to such plan
11	solely because in the case of—
12	(i) such section $401(o)(1)(A)$ , the plan
13	was amended before the date of the enact-
14	ment of this Act to eliminate 1 or more ben-
15	efits, rights, or features, and is further
16	amended after such date of enactment to
17	provide such previously eliminated benefits,
18	rights, or features to a closed class of par-
19	ticipants, or
20	(ii) such section $401(o)(1)(B)(iii)$ or
21	section $401(a)(26)$ , the plan was amended
22	before the date of the enactment of this Act
23	to cease all benefit accruals, and is further
24	amended after such date of enactment to
25	provide benefit accruals to a closed class of

1	participants. Any such section shall only
2	apply if the plan otherwise meets the re-
3	quirements of such section and in applying
4	such section, the date the class of partici-
5	pants is closed shall be the effective date of
6	the later amendment.
7	SEC. 223. FIDUCIARY SAFE HARBOR FOR SELECTION OF
8	LIFETIME INCOME PROVIDER.
9	Section 404 of the Employee Retirement Income Secu-
10	rity Act of 1974 (29 U.S.C. 1104) is amended by adding
11	at the end the following:
12	"(e) Safe Harbor for Annuity Selection.—
13	"(1) IN GENERAL.—With respect to the selection
14	of an insurer for a guaranteed retirement income con-
15	tract, the requirements of subsection $(a)(1)(B)$ will be
16	deemed to be satisfied if a fiduciary—
17	"(A) engages in an objective, thorough, and
18	analytical search for the purpose of identifying
19	insurers from which to purchase such contracts;
20	``(B) with respect to each insurer identified
21	under subparagraph (A)—
22	"(i) considers the financial capability
23	of such insurer to satisfy its obligations
24	under the guaranteed retirement income
25	contract; and

1	"(ii) considers the cost (including fees
2	and commissions) of the guaranteed retire-
3	ment income contract offered by the insurer
4	in relation to the benefits and product fea-
5	tures of the contract and administrative
6	services to be provided under such contract;
7	and
8	``(C) on the basis of such consideration, con-
9	cludes that—
10	"(i) at the time of the selection, the in-
11	surer is financially capable of satisfying its
12	obligations under the guaranteed retirement
13	income contract; and
14	"(ii) the relative cost of the selected
15	guaranteed retirement income contract as
16	described in subparagraph $(B)(ii)$ is reason-
17	able.
18	"(2) Financial capability of the insurer.—
19	A fiduciary will be deemed to satisfy the requirements
20	of paragraphs $(1)(B)(i)$ and $(1)(C)(i)$ if—
21	"(A) the fiduciary obtains written represen-
22	tations from the insurer that—
23	"(i) the insurer is licensed to offer
24	guaranteed retirement income contracts;

1	"(ii) the insurer, at the time of selec-
2	tion and for each of the immediately pre-
3	ceding 7 plan years—
4	"(I) operates under a certificate of
5	authority from the insurance commis-
6	sioner of its domiciliary State which
7	has not been revoked or suspended;
8	"(II) has filed audited financial
9	statements in accordance with the laws
10	of its domiciliary State under applica-
11	ble statutory accounting principles;
12	"(III) maintains (and has main-
13	tained) reserves which satisfies all the
14	statutory requirements of all States
15	where the insurer does business; and
16	"(IV) is not operating under an
17	order of supervision, rehabilitation, or
18	liquidation;
19	"(iii) the insurer undergoes, at least
20	every 5 years, a financial examination
21	(within the meaning of the law of its domi-
22	ciliary State) by the insurance commis-
23	sioner of the domiciliary State (or rep-
24	resentative, designee, or other party ap-
25	proved by such commissioner); and

1	"(iv) the insurer will notify the fidu-
2	ciary of any change in circumstances occur-
3	ring after the provision of the representa-
4	tions in clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) which
5	would preclude the insurer from making
6	such representations at the time of issuance
7	of the guaranteed retirement income con-
8	tract; and
9	``(B) after receiving such representations
10	and as of the time of selection, the fiduciary has
11	not received any notice described in subpara-
12	graph (A)(iv) and is in possession of no other in-
13	formation which would cause the fiduciary to
14	question the representations provided.
15	"(3) No requirement to select lowest
16	cost.—Nothing in this subsection shall be construed
17	to require a fiduciary to select the lowest cost con-
18	tract. A fiduciary may consider the value of a con-
19	tract, including features and benefits of the contract
20	and attributes of the insurer (including, without limi-
21	tation, the insurer's financial strength) in conjunc-
22	tion with the cost of the contract.
23	"(4) TIME OF SELECTION.—
24	"(A) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of this
25	subsection, the time of selection is—

1	"(i) the time that the insurer and the
2	contract are selected for distribution of ben-
3	efits to a specific participant or beneficiary;
4	Or
5	"(ii) if the fiduciary periodically re-
6	views the continuing appropriateness of the
7	conclusion described in paragraph $(1)(C)$
8	with respect to a selected insurer, taking
9	into account the considerations described in
10	such paragraph, the time that the insurer
11	and the contract are selected to provide ben-
12	efits at future dates to participants or bene-
13	ficiaries under the plan.
14	Nothing in the preceding sentence shall be con-
15	strued to require the fiduciary to review the ap-
16	propriateness of a selection after the purchase of
17	a contract for a participant or beneficiary.
18	"(B) PERIODIC REVIEW.—A fiduciary will
19	be deemed to have conducted the periodic review
20	described in subparagraph $(A)(ii)$ if the fidu-
21	ciary obtains the written representations de-
22	scribed in clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) of paragraph
23	(2)(A) from the insurer on an annual basis, un-
24	less the fiduciary receives any notice described in
25	paragraph (2)(A)(iv) or otherwise becomes aware

1	of facts that would cause the fiduciary to ques-
2	tion such representations.
3	"(5) LIMITED LIABILITY.—A fiduciary which
4	satisfies the requirements of this subsection shall not
5	be liable following the distribution of any benefit, or
6	the investment by or on behalf of a participant or
7	beneficiary pursuant to the selected guaranteed retire-
8	ment income contract, for any losses that may result
9	to the participant or beneficiary due to an insurer's
10	inability to satisfy its financial obligations under the
11	terms of such contract.
12	"(6) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this sub-
13	section—
14	"(A) INSURER.—The term 'insurer' means
15	an insurance company, insurance service, or in-
16	surance organization, including affiliates of such
17	companies.
18	"(B) GUARANTEED RETIREMENT INCOME
19	CONTRACT.—The term 'guaranteed retirement in-
20	come contract' means an annuity contract for a
21	fixed term or a contract (or provision or feature
22	thereof) which provides guaranteed benefits an-
23	nually (or more frequently) for at least the re-
24	mainder of the life of the participant or the joint
25	lives of the participant and the participant's

1	designated beneficiary as part of an individual
2	account plan.".
3	SEC. 224. DISCLOSURE REGARDING LIFETIME INCOME.
4	(a) IN GENERAL.—Subparagraph (B) of section
5	105(a)(2) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act
6	of 1974 (29 U.S.C. 1025(a)(2)) is amended—
7	(1) in clause (i), by striking "and" at the end;
8	(2) in clause (ii), by striking "diversification."
9	and inserting "diversification, and"; and
10	(3) by inserting at the end the following:
11	"(iii) the lifetime income disclosure de-
12	scribed in subparagraph $(D)(i)$ .
13	In the case of pension benefit statements de-
14	scribed in clause (i) of paragraph (1)(A), a life-
15	time income disclosure under clause (iii) of this
16	subparagraph shall be required to be included in
17	only one pension benefit statement during any
18	one 12-month period.".
19	(b) LIFETIME INCOME.—Paragraph (2) of section
20	105(a) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of
21	1974 (29 U.S.C. 1025(a)) is amended by adding at the end
22	the following new subparagraph:
23	"(D) Lifetime income disclosure.—
24	"(i) IN GENERAL.—

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1	"(I) DISCLOSURE.—A lifetime in-
2	come disclosure shall set forth the life-
3	time income stream equivalent of the
4	total benefits accrued with respect to
5	the participant or beneficiary.
6	"(II) LIFETIME INCOME STREAM
7	EQUIVALENT OF THE TOTAL BENEFITS
8	ACCRUED.—For purposes of this sub-
9	paragraph, the term lifetime income
10	stream equivalent of the total benefits
11	accrued' means the amount of monthly
12	payments the participant or bene-
13	ficiary would receive if the total ac-
14	crued benefits of such participant or
15	beneficiary were used to provide life-
16	time income streams described in sub-
17	clause (III), based on assumptions
18	specified in rules prescribed by the Sec-
19	retary.
20	"(III) LIFETIME INCOME
21	STREAMS.—The lifetime income
22	streams described in this subclause are
23	a qualified joint and survivor annuity
24	(as defined in section 205(d)), based on
25	assumptions specified in rules pre-

1	scribed by the Secretary, including the
2	assumption that the participant or
3	beneficiary has a spouse of equal age,
4	and a single life annuity. Such lifetime
5	income streams may have a term cer-
6	tain or other features to the extent per-
7	mitted under rules prescribed by the
8	Secretary.
9	"(ii) Model disclosure.—Not later
10	than 1 year after the date of the enactment
11	of the Retirement, Savings, and Other Tax
12	Relief Act of 2018, the Secretary shall issue
13	a model lifetime income disclosure, written
14	in a manner so as to be understood by the
15	average plan participant, which—
16	((I) explains that the lifetime in-
17	come stream equivalent is only pro-
18	vided as an illustration;
19	((II) explains that the actual
20	payments under the lifetime income
21	stream described in clause (i)(III)
22	which may be purchased with the total
23	benefits accrued will depend on numer-
24	ous factors and may vary substantially

1	from the lifetime income stream equiv-
2	alent in the disclosures;
3	"(III) explains the assumptions
4	upon which the lifetime income stream
5	equivalent was determined; and
6	"(IV) provides such other similar
7	explanations as the Secretary considers
8	appropriate.
9	"(iii) Assumptions and rules.—Not
10	later than 1 year after the date of the enact-
11	ment of the Retirement, Savings, and Other
12	Tax Relief Act of 2018, the Secretary
13	shall—
14	((I) prescribe assumptions which
15	administrators of individual account
16	plans may use in converting total ac-
17	crued benefits into lifetime income
18	stream equivalents for purposes of this
19	subparagraph; and
20	"(II) issue interim final rules
21	under clause (i).
22	In prescribing assumptions under subclause
23	(I), the Secretary may prescribe a single set
24	of specific assumptions (in which case the
25	Secretary may issue tables or factors which

1	facilitate such conversions), or ranges of
2	permissible assumptions. To the extent that
3	an accrued benefit is or may be invested in
4	a lifetime income stream described in clause
5	(i)(III), the assumptions prescribed under
6	subclause $(I)$ shall, to the extent appro-
7	priate, permit administrators of individual
8	account plans to use the amounts payable
9	under such lifetime income stream as a life-
10	time income stream equivalent.
11	"(iv) Limitation on liability.—No
12	plan fiduciary, plan sponsor, or other per-
13	son shall have any liability under this title
14	solely by reason of the provision of lifetime
15	income stream equivalents which are de-
16	rived in accordance with the assumptions
17	and rules described in clause (iii) and
18	which include the explanations contained in
19	the model lifetime income disclosure de-
20	scribed in clause (ii). This clause shall
21	apply without regard to whether the provi-
22	sion of such lifetime income stream equiva-
23	lent is required by subparagraph $(B)(iii)$ .
24	"(v) Effective date.—The require-
25	ment in subparagraph $(B)(iii)$ shall apply

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to pension benefit statements furnished more
than 12 months after the latest of the
issuance by the Secretary of—
"(I) interim final rules under
clause (i);
"(II) the model disclosure under
clause (ii); or
"(III) the assumptions under
clause (iii).".
SEC. 225. MODIFICATION OF PBGC PREMIUMS FOR CSEC
PLANS.
(a) FLAT RATE PREMIUM.—Subparagraph (A) of sec-
tion 4006(a)(3) of the Employee Retirement Income Secu-
rity Act of 1974 (29 U.S.C. 1306(a)(3)) is amended—
(1) in clause (i), by striking "plan," and insert-
ing "plan other than a CSEC plan (as defined in sec-
tion 210(f)(1))";
(2) in clause (v), by striking "or" at the end;
(3) in clause (vi), by striking the period at the
end and inserting ", or"; and
(4) by adding at the end the following new
clause:
"(vii) in the case of a CSEC plan (as
defined in section $210(f)(1)$ ), for plan years
beginning after December 31, 2018, for each

1	individual who is a participant in such
2	plan during the plan year an amount equal
3	to the sum of—
4	``(I) the additional premium (if
5	any) determined under subparagraph
6	(E), and
7	"(II) \$19.".
8	(b) VARIABLE RATE PREMIUM.—
9	(1) Unfunded vested benefits.—
10	(A) In general.—Subparagraph (E) of
11	section $4006(a)(3)$ of the Employee Retirement
12	Income Security Act of 1974 (29 U.S.C.
13	1306(a)(3)) is amended by adding at the end the
14	following new clause:
15	"(v) For purposes of clause (ii), in the
16	case of a CSEC plan (as defined in section
17	210(f)(1)), the term 'unfunded vested bene-
18	fits' means, for plan years beginning after
19	December 31, 2018, the excess (if any) of—
20	``(I) the funding liability of the
21	plan as determined under section
22	306(j)(5)(C) for the plan year by only
23	taking into account vested benefits,
24	over

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1	"(II) the fair market value of
2	plan assets for the plan year which are
3	held by the plan on the valuation
4	date.".
5	(B) Conforming Amendment.—Clause
6	(iii) of section $4006(a)(3)(E)$ of such Act (29)
7	U.S.C. $1306(a)(3)(E)$ ) is amended by striking
8	"For purposes" and inserting "Except as pro-
9	vided in clause (v), for purposes".
10	(2) Applicable dollar amount.—
11	(A) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (8) of section
12	4006(a) of such Act (29 U.S.C. $1306(a)$ ) is
13	amended by adding at the end the following new
14	subparagraph:
15	"(E) CSEC PLANS.—In the case of a CSEC
16	plan (as defined in section 210(f)(1)), the appli-
17	cable dollar amount shall be \$9.".
18	(B) Conforming Amendment.—Subpara-
19	graph (A) of section $4006(a)(8)$ of such Act (29)
20	U.S.C. $1306(a)(8)$ ) is amended by striking "(B)
21	and (C)" and inserting "(B), (C), and (E)".

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3 SEC. 231. EXPANSION OF SECTION 529 PLANS.

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(a) DISTRIBUTIONS FOR CERTAIN EXPENSES ASSOCI-4 ATED WITH REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS.— 5 6 Section 529(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is 7 amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph: 8 "(8) TREATMENT OF CERTAIN EXPENSES ASSOCI-9 ATED WITH REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP PRO-10 GRAMS.—Any reference in this subsection to the term 11 'qualified higher education expense' shall include a 12 reference to expenses for fees, books, supplies, and 13 equipment required for the participation of a des-14 ignated beneficiary in an apprenticeship program 15 registered and certified with the Secretary of Labor 16 under section 1 of the National Apprenticeship Act (29 U.S.C. 50).". 17

(b) DISTRIBUTIONS FOR CERTAIN HOMESCHOOLING
19 EXPENSES.—Section 529(c)(7) of such Code is amended by
20 striking "include a reference to" and all that follows and
21 inserting "include a reference to—

"(A) expenses for tuition in connection with
enrollment or attendance of a designated beneficiary at an elementary or secondary public,
private, or religious school, and

1	``(B) expenses, with respect to a designated
2	beneficiary, for—
3	"(i) curriculum and curricular mate-
4	rials,
5	"(ii) books or other instructional mate-
6	rials,
7	"(iii) online educational materials,
8	"(iv) tuition for tutoring or edu-
9	cational classes outside of the home (but
10	only if the tutor or class instructor is not
11	related (within the meaning of section
12	152(d)(2)) to the student),
13	(v) dual enrollment in an institution
14	of higher education, and
15	"(vi) educational therapies for students
16	with disabilities,
17	in connection with a homeschool (whether treated
18	as a homeschool or a private school for purposes
19	of applicable State law).".
20	(c) DISTRIBUTIONS FOR QUALIFIED EDUCATION LOAN
21	Repayments.—
22	(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 529(c) of such Code,
23	as amended by subsection (a), is amended by adding
24	at the end the following new paragraph:

1	"(9) TREATMENT OF QUALIFIED EDUCATION
2	LOAN REPAYMENTS.—
3	"(A) IN GENERAL.—Any reference in this
4	subsection to the term 'qualified higher education
5	expense' shall include a reference to amounts
6	paid as principal or interest on any qualified
7	education loan (as defined in section 221(d)) of
8	the designated beneficiary or a sibling of the des-
9	ignated beneficiary.
10	"(B) LIMITATION.—The amount of distribu-
11	tions treated as a qualified higher education ex-
12	pense under this paragraph with respect to the
13	loans of any individual shall not exceed \$10,000
14	(reduced by the amount of distributions so treat-
15	ed for all prior taxable years).
16	"(C) Special rules for siblings of the
17	DESIGNATED BENEFICIARY.—
18	"(i) SEPARATE ACCOUNTING.—For
19	purposes of subparagraph $(B)$ and sub-
20	section (d), amounts treated as a qualified
21	higher education expense with respect to the
22	loans of a sibling of the designated bene-
23	ficiary shall be taken into account with re-
24	spect to such sibling and not with respect to
25	such designated beneficiary.

1	"(ii) SIBLING DEFINED.—For purposes
2	of this paragraph, the term 'sibling' means
3	an individual who bears a relationship to
4	the designated beneficiary which is de-
5	scribed in section $152(d)(2)(B)$ .".
6	(2) Coordination with deduction for stu-
7	DENT LOAN INTEREST.—Section 221(e)(1) of such
8	Code is amended by adding at the end the following:
9	"The deduction otherwise allowable under subsection
10	(a) (prior to the application of subsection (b)) to the
11	taxpayer for any taxable year shall be reduced (but
12	not below zero) by so much of the distributions treated
13	as a qualified higher education expense under section
14	529(c)(9) with respect to loans of the taxpayer as
15	would be includible in gross income under section
16	529(c)(3)(A) for such taxable year but for such treat-
17	ment.".
18	(d) DISTRIBUTIONS FOR CERTAIN ELEMENTARY AND
19	Secondary School Expenses in Addition to Tui-
20	TION.—Section 529(c)(7)(A), as amended by subsection (b),
21	is amended to read as follows:
22	"(A) expenses described in section
23	530(b)(3)(A)(i) in connection with enrollment or
24	attendance of a designated beneficiary at an ele-

1	mentary or secondary public, private, or reli-
2	gious school, and".
3	(e) UNBORN CHILDREN ALLOWED AS ACCOUNT BENE-
4	FICIARIES.—Section 529(e) is amended by adding at the
5	end the following new paragraph:
6	"(6) TREATMENT OF UNBORN CHILDREN.—
7	"(A) IN GENERAL.—Nothing shall prevent
8	an unborn child from being treated as a des-
9	ignated beneficiary or an individual under this
10	section.
11	"(B) UNBORN CHILD.—For purposes of this
12	paragraph—
13	"(i) In general.—The term 'unborn
14	child' means a child in utero.
15	"(ii) Child in utero.—The term
16	'child in utero' means a member of the spe-
17	cies homo sapiens, at any stage of develop-
18	ment, who is carried in the womb.".
19	(f) Effective Dates.—
20	(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise provided
21	in this subsection, the amendments made by this sec-
22	tion shall apply to distributions made after December
23	31, 2018.
24	(2) UNBORN CHILDREN ALLOWED AS ACCOUNT
25	BENEFICIARIES.—The amendment made by subsection

1	(e) shall apply to contributions made after December
2	31, 2018.
3	SEC. 232. PENALTY-FREE WITHDRAWALS FROM RETIRE-
4	MENT PLANS FOR INDIVIDUALS IN CASE OF
5	BIRTH OF CHILD OR ADOPTION.
6	(a) IN GENERAL.—Section $72(t)(2)$ is amended by
7	adding at the end the following new subparagraph:
8	"(H) DISTRIBUTIONS FROM RETIREMENT
9	PLANS IN CASE OF BIRTH OF CHILD OR ADOP-
10	TION.—
11	"(i) IN GENERAL.—Any qualified birth
12	or adoption distribution.
13	"(ii) LIMITATION.—The aggregate
14	amount which may be treated as qualified
15	birth or adoption distributions by any indi-
16	vidual with respect to any birth or adoption
17	shall not exceed \$7,500.
18	"(iii) Qualified birth or adoption
19	distribution.—For purposes of this sub-
20	paragraph—
21	"(I) IN GENERAL.—The term
22	'qualified birth or adoption distribu-
23	tion' means any distribution from an
24	applicable eligible retirement plan to
25	an individual if made during the 1-

1	year period beginning on the date on
2	which a child of the individual is born
3	or on which the legal adoption by the
4	individual of an eligible child is final-
5	ized.
6	"(II) ELIGIBLE CHILD.—The term
7	'eligible child' means any individual
8	(other than a child of the taxpayer's
9	spouse) who has not attained age 18 or
10	is physically or mentally incapable of
11	self-support.
12	"(iv) Treatment of plan distribu-
13	TIONS.—
14	"(I) IN GENERAL.—If a distribu-
15	tion to an individual would (without
16	regard to clause (ii)) be a qualified
17	birth or adoption distribution, a plan
18	shall not be treated as failing to meet
19	any requirement of this title merely be-
20	cause the plan treats the distribution
21	as a qualified birth or adoption dis-
22	tribution, unless the aggregate amount
23	of such distributions from all plans
24	maintained by the employer (and any
25	member of any controlled group which

1	includes the employer) to such indi-
2	vidual exceeds \$7,500.
3	"(II) Controlled group.—For
4	purposes of subclause (I), the term
5	'controlled group' means any group
6	treated as a single employer under sub-
7	section (b), (c), (m), or (o) of section
8	414.
9	"(v) Amount distributed may be
10	REPAID.—
11	"(I) IN GENERAL.—Any indi-
12	vidual who receives a qualified birth or
13	adoption distribution may make one or
14	more contributions in an aggregate
15	amount not to exceed the amount of
16	such distribution to an applicable eli-
17	gible retirement plan of which such in-
18	dividual is a beneficiary and to which
19	a rollover contribution of such dis-
20	tribution could be made under section
21	402(c), 403(a)(4), 403(b)(8), 408(d)(3),
22	or $457(e)(16)$ , as the case may be.
23	"(II) LIMITATION ON CONTRIBU-
24	TIONS TO APPLICABLE ELIGIBLE RE-
25	TIREMENT PLANS OTHER THAN

1	IRAs.—The aggregate amount of con-
2	tributions made by an individual
3	under subclause (I) to any applicable
4	eligible retirement plan which is not
5	an individual retirement plan shall
6	not exceed the aggregate amount of
7	qualified birth or adoption distribu-
8	tions which are made from such plan
9	to such individual. Subclause (I) shall
10	not apply to contributions to any ap-
11	plicable eligible retirement plan which
12	is not an individual retirement plan
13	unless the individual is eligible to
14	make contributions (other than those
15	described in subclause $(I)$ ) to such ap-
16	plicable eligible retirement plan.
17	"(III) TREATMENT OF REPAY-
18	MENTS OF DISTRIBUTIONS FROM AP-
19	PLICABLE ELIGIBLE RETIREMENT
20	PLANS OTHER THAN IRAS.—If a con-
21	tribution is made under subclause $(I)$
22	with respect to a qualified birth or
23	adoption distribution from an applica-
24	ble eligible retirement plan other than
25	an individual retirement plan, then

1	the taxpayer shall, to the extent of the
2	amount of the contribution, be treated
3	as having received such distribution in
4	an eligible rollover distribution (as de-
5	fined in section $402(c)(4)$ ) and as hav-
6	ing transferred the amount to the ap-
7	plicable eligible retirement plan in a
8	direct trustee to trustee transfer within
9	60 days of the distribution.
10	"(IV) TREATMENT OF REPAY-
11	MENTS FOR DISTRIBUTIONS FROM
12	IRAS.—If a contribution is made under
13	subclause (I) with respect to a quali-
14	fied birth or adoption distribution
15	from an individual retirement plan,
16	then, to the extent of the amount of the
17	contribution, such distribution shall be
18	treated as a distribution described in
19	section $408(d)(3)$ and as having been
20	transferred to the applicable eligible re-
21	tirement plan in a direct trustee to
22	trustee transfer within 60 days of the
23	distribution.

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1	"(vi) Definition and special
2	RULES.—For purposes of this subpara-
3	graph—
4	"(I) Applicable eligible re-
5	tirement plan.—The term 'applica-
6	ble eligible retirement plan' means an
7	eligible retirement plan (as defined in
8	section $402(c)(8)(B)$ ) other than a de-
9	fined benefit plan.
10	"(II) Exemption of distribu-
11	TIONS FROM TRUSTEE TO TRUSTEE
12	TRANSFER AND WITHHOLDING
13	RULES.—For purposes of sections
14	401(a)(31), 402(f), and 3405, a quali-
15	fied birth or adoption distribution
16	shall not be treated as an eligible roll-
17	over distribution.
18	"(III) TAXPAYER MUST INCLUDE
19	TIN.—A distribution shall not be treat-
20	ed as a qualified birth or adoption dis-
21	tribution with respect to any child or
22	eligible child unless the taxpayer in-
23	cludes the name, age, and TIN of such
24	child or eligible child on the taxpayer's
25	return of tax for the taxable year.

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1	"(IV) DISTRIBUTIONS TREATED
2	AS MEETING PLAN DISTRIBUTION RE-
3	QUIREMENTS.—Any qualified birth or
4	adoption distribution shall be treated
5	as meeting the requirements of sections
6	401(k)(2)(B)(i), $403(b)(7)(A)(ii),$
7	403(b)(11), and 457(d)(1)(A).".
8	(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this
9	section shall apply to distributions made after December 31,
10	2018.
11	TITLE III—REPEAL OR DELAY OF
12	CERTAIN HEALTH-RELATED
13	TAXES
14	SEC. 301. EXTENSION OF MORATORIUM ON MEDICAL DE-
15	VICE EXCISE TAX.
16	Section 4191(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986
17	is amended by striking "December 31, 2019" and inserting
18	"December 31, 2024".
19	SEC. 302. DELAY IN IMPLEMENTATION OF EXCISE TAX ON
20	HIGH COST EMPLOYER-SPONSORED HEALTH
21	COVERAGE.
22	Section 9001(c) of the Patient Protection and Afford-
22	
23	able Care Act is amended by striking "December 31, 2021"
23 24	able Care Act is amended by striking "December 31, 2021" and inserting "December 31, 2022".

 SEC. 303. EXTENSION OF SUSPENSION OF ANNUAL FEE ON HEALTH INSURANCE PROVIDERS.
 Section 9010(j)(3) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act is amended by striking "December 31,

5 2019" and inserting "December 31, 2021".

6 SEC. 304. REPEAL OF EXCISE TAX ON INDOOR TANNING
7 SERVICES.

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle D of the Internal Revenue 9 Code of 1986 is amended by striking chapter 49 and by 10 striking the item relating to such chapter in the table of 11 chapters of such subtitle.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this
section shall apply to services performed in calendar quarters beginning more than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

## 16 TITLE IV—CERTAIN EXPIRING 17 PROVISIONS

18 SEC. 401. RAILROAD TRACK MAINTENANCE CREDIT MADE

## 19 **PERMANENT.**

20 (a) CREDIT PERCENTAGE REDUCED.—Section 45G(a)
21 is amended by striking "50 percent" and inserting "30 per22 cent".

23 (b) MADE PERMANENT.—Section 45G is amended by
24 striking subsection (f).

1	(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this
2	section shall apply to expenditures paid or incurred during
3	taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017.
4	SEC. 402. BIODIESEL AND RENEWABLE DIESEL PROVISIONS
5	EXTENDED AND PHASED OUT.
6	(a) Income Tax Credit.—
7	(1) IN GENERAL.—Section $40A(g)$ is amended to
8	read as follows:
9	"(g) Phase Out; Termination.—
10	"(1) Phase out.—In the case of any sale or use
11	after December 31, 2021, subsections $(b)(1)(A)$ and
12	(b)(2)(A) shall be applied by substituting for
13	ʻ\$1.00'—
14	"(A) '\$.75', if such sale or use is before Jan-
15	uary 1, 2023,
16	"(B) '.50', if such sale or use is after De-
17	cember 31, 2022, and before January 1, 2024,
18	and
19	"(C) '\$.33', if such sale or use is after De-
20	cember 31, 2023, and before January 1, 2025.
21	"(2) TERMINATION.—This section shall not
22	apply to any sale or use after December 31, 2024.".
23	(2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
24	this subsection shall apply to fuel sold or used after
25	December 31, 2017.

1	(b) Excise Tax Incentives.—
2	(1) Phase out.—Section 6426(c)(2) is amended
3	to read as follows:
4	"(2) Applicable amount.—For purposes of this
5	subsection, the applicable amount is—
6	"(A) \$1.00 in the case of any sale or use for
7	any period before January 1, 2022,
8	"(B) \$.75 in the case of any sale or use for
9	any period after December 31, 2021, and before
10	January 1, 2023,
11	"(C) \$.50 in the case of any sale or use for
12	any period after December 31, 2022, and before
13	January 1, 2024, and
14	(D) \$.33 in the case of any sale or use for
15	any period after December 31, 2023, and before
16	January 1, 2025.".
17	(2) TERMINATION.—
18	(A) IN GENERAL.—Section $6426(c)(6)$ is
19	amended by striking "December 31, 2017" and
20	inserting "December 31, 2024".
21	(B) PAYMENTS.—Section $6427(e)(6)(B)$ is
22	amended by striking "December 31, 2017" and
23	inserting "December 31, 2024".

1	(3) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made
2	by this subsection shall apply to fuel sold or used
3	after December 31, 2017.

4 (4) Special Rule FOR 2018.—Notwithstanding 5 any other provision of law, in the case of any bio-6 diesel mixture credit properly determined under sec-7 tion 6426(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 for the period beginning on January 1, 2018, and ending 8 9 on December 31, 2018, such credit shall be allowed, 10 and any refund or payment attributable to such cred-11 it (including any payment under section 6427(e) of 12 such Code) shall be made, only in such manner as the 13 Secretary of the Treasury (or the Secretary's delegate) 14 shall provide. Such Secretary shall issue quidance 15 within 30 days after the date of the enactment of this 16 Act providing for a one-time submission of claims 17 covering periods described in the preceding sentence. 18 Such guidance shall provide for a 180-day period for 19 the submission of such claims (in such manner as 20 prescribed by such Secretary) to begin not later than 21 30 days after such quidance is issued. Such claims 22 shall be paid by such Secretary not later than 60 23 days after receipt. If such Secretary has not paid 24 pursuant to a claim filed under this subsection within 25 60 days after the date of the filing of such claim, the

1	claim shall be paid with interest from such date de-
2	termined by using the overpayment rate and method
3	under section 6621 of such Code.
4	TITLE V—OTHER PROVISIONS
5	SEC. 501. TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS RELATING TO PUBLIC
6	LAW 115–97.
7	(a) Amendment Relating to Section 11011.—Sec-
8	tion 852(b) is amended by adding at the end the following:
9	"(10) TREATMENT BY SHAREHOLDERS OF QUALI-
10	FIED REIT DIVIDENDS AND QUALIFIED PUBLICLY
11	TRADED PARTNERSHIP INCOME.—
12	"(A) IN GENERAL.—A shareholder of a reg-
13	ulated investment company shall take into ac-
14	count for purposes of section $199A(b)(1)(B)$ —
15	"(i) as a qualified REIT dividend the
16	amount which is reported by the company
17	(in written statements furnished to its
18	shareholders) as being attributable to quali-
19	fied REIT dividends received by the com-
20	pany, and
21	"(ii) as qualified publicly traded part-
22	nership income the amount which is re-
23	ported by the company (in written state-
24	ments furnished to its shareholders) as being

1	attributable to qualified publicly traded
2	partnership income of the company.
3	"(B) Excess reported amounts.—Rules
4	similar to the rules of clauses (ii) and (iii) of
5	paragraph (5)(A) shall apply for purposes of this
6	paragraph.
7	"(C) Negative qualified publicly trad-
8	ED PARTNERSHIP INCOME REQUIRED TO BE
9	TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT.—If the qualified publicly
10	traded partnership income of the company is less
11	than zero, such income shall be reported by the
12	company under subparagraph (A)(ii).
13	"(D) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall
14	issue such regulations or other guidance as may
15	be necessary or appropriate to carry out the pur-
16	poses of this paragraph.".
17	(b) Amendments Relating to Section 13204.—
18	(1) Section $168(e)(3)(E)$ is amended by striking
19	"and" at the end of clause (v), by striking the period
20	at the end of clause (vi) and inserting ", and", and
21	by adding at the end the following new clause:
22	"(vii) any qualified improvement
23	property.".
24	(2) The table contained in subparagraph $(B)$ of
25	section $168(g)(3)$ is amended—

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1	(A) by striking the item relating to sub-
2	paragraph (D)(v), and
3	(B) by inserting after the item relating to
4	subparagraph (E)(vi) the following new item: "(E)(vii)
5	(c) Amendment Relating to Section 13302.—Sec-
6	tion 13302(e)(2) of Public Law 115-97 is amended by strik-
7	ing "ending" and inserting "beginning".
8	(d) Amendment Relating to Section 13307.—Sec-
9	tion $162(q)(2)$ is amended by inserting "in the case of the
10	taxpayer for whom a deduction is disallowed by reason of
11	paragraph (1)," before "attorney's fees".
12	(e) Amendment Relating to Section 14103.—
13	(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 965(h) is amended by
14	adding at the end the following new paragraph:
15	"(7) INSTALLMENTS NOT TO PREVENT CREDIT OR
16	REFUND OF OVERPAYMENTS OR INCREASE ESTIMATED
17	TAXES.—If an election is made under paragraph (1)
18	to pay the net tax liability under this section in in-
19	stallments—
20	"(A) no installment of such net tax liability
21	shall—
22	"(i) in the case of a request for credit
23	or refund, be taken into account as a liabil-
24	ity for purposes of determining whether an
25	overpayment exists for purposes of section

1	6402 before the date on which such install-
2	ment is due, or
3	"(ii) for purposes of sections 6425,
4	6654, and 6655, be treated as a tax imposed
5	by section 1, section 11, or subchapter $L$ of
6	chapter 1, and
7	"(B) the first sentence of section $6403$ shall
8	not apply with respect to any such installment.".
9	(2) Limitation on payment of interest.—In
10	the case of the portion of any overpayment which ex-
11	ists by reason of the application of section $965(h)(7)$
12	of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (as added by
13	this subsection)—
14	(A) if credit or refund of such portion is
15	made on or before the date which is 45 days after
16	the date of the enactment of this Act, no interest
17	shall be allowed or paid under section 6611 of
18	such Code with respect to such portion, and
19	(B) if credit or refund of such portion is
20	made after the date which is 45 days after the
21	date of the enactment of this Act, no interest
22	shall be allowed or paid under section 6611 of
23	such Code with respect to such portion for any
24	period before the date of the enactment of this
25	Act.

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1	(f) Amendments Relating to Section 14213.—
2	(1) Section 958(b) is amended—
3	(A) by inserting after paragraph $(3)$ the fol-
4	lowing:
5	"(4) Subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C) of section
6	318(a)(3) shall not be applied so as to consider a
7	United States person as owning stock which is owned
8	by a person who is not a United States person.", and
9	(B) by striking "Paragraph (1)" in the last
10	sentence and inserting "Paragraphs (1) and
11	(4)".
12	(2) Subpart $F$ of part III of subchapter $N$ of
13	chapter 1 is amended by inserting after section 951A
14	the following new section:
15	"SEC. 951B. AMOUNTS INCLUDED IN GROSS INCOME OF
16	FOREIGN CONTROLLED UNITED STATES
17	SHAREHOLDERS.
18	"(a) In General.—In the case of any foreign con-
19	trolled United States shareholder of a foreign controlled for-
20	eign corporation—
21	"(1) this subpart (other than sections 951A,
22	951(b), 957, and 965) shall be applied with respect to
23	such shareholder (separately from, and in addition to,
24	the application of this subpart without regard to this
25	section)—

1	"(A) by substituting 'foreign controlled
2	United States shareholder' for 'United States
3	shareholder' each place it appears therein, and
4	``(B) by substituting 'foreign controlled for-
5	eign corporation' for 'controlled foreign corpora-
6	tion' each place it appears therein, and
7	"(2) sections 951A and 965 shall be applied with
8	respect to such shareholder —
9	"(A) by treating each reference to 'United
10	States shareholder' in such sections as including
11	a reference to such shareholder, and
12	``(B) by treating each reference to 'con-
13	trolled foreign corporation' in such sections as
14	including a reference to such foreign controlled
15	foreign corporation.
16	"(b) Foreign Controlled United States Share-
17	HOLDER.—For purposes of this section, the term 'foreign
18	controlled United States shareholder' means, with respect
19	to any foreign corporation, any United States person which
20	would be a United States shareholder with respect to such
21	foreign corporation if—
22	"(1) section 951(b) were applied by substituting
23	'more than 50 percent' for '10 percent or more', and
24	"(2) section 958(b) were applied without regard
25	to paragraph (4) thereof.

"(c) FOREIGN CONTROLLED FOREIGN CORPORA TION.—For purposes of this section, the term 'foreign con trolled foreign corporation' means a foreign corporation,
 other than a controlled foreign corporation, which would
 be a controlled foreign corporation if section 957(a) were
 applied—
 "(1) by substituting 'foreign controlled United

8 States shareholders' for 'United States shareholders',
9 and

"(2) by substituting 'section 958(b) (other than
paragraph (4) thereof)' for 'section 958(b)'.

12 "(d) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall prescribe 13 such regulations or other guidance as may be necessary or 14 appropriate to carry out the purposes of this section, in-15 cluding regulations or other guidance—

"(1) to treat a foreign controlled United States
shareholder or a foreign controlled foreign corporation
as a United States shareholder or as a controlled foreign corporation, respectively, for purposes of provisions of this title other than this subpart, and

21 "(2) to prevent the avoidance of the purposes of
22 this section.".

23 (3) The amendments made by paragraphs (1)
24 and (2) shall apply to—

1	(A) the last taxable year of foreign corpora-
2	tions beginning before January 1, 2018, and
3	each subsequent taxable year of such foreign cor-
4	porations, and
5	(B) taxable years of United States persons
6	in which or with which such taxable years of for-
7	eign corporations end.
8	(g) EFFECTIVE DATES.—Except as otherwise provided
9	in this section, the amendments made by this section shall
10	take effect as if included in the provision of Public Law
11	115-97 to which they relate.
12	SEC. 502. CLARIFICATION OF TREATMENT OF VETERANS AS
13	SPECIFIED GROUP FOR PURPOSES OF THE
13 14	SPECIFIED GROUP FOR PURPOSES OF THE LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT.
14	LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT.
14 15	LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT. For purposes of section $42(g)(9)(B)$ of the Internal
14 15 16	LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT. For purposes of section $42(g)(9)(B)$ of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, veterans shall not fail to be treated
14 15 16 17	LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT. For purposes of section $42(g)(9)(B)$ of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, veterans shall not fail to be treated as a specified group under a Federal program.
14 15 16 17 18	LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT. For purposes of section $42(g)(9)(B)$ of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, veterans shall not fail to be treated as a specified group under a Federal program. SEC. 503. CLARIFICATION OF GENERAL PUBLIC USE RE-
14 15 16 17 18 19	LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT. For purposes of section 42(g)(9)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, veterans shall not fail to be treated as a specified group under a Federal program. SEC. 503. CLARIFICATION OF GENERAL PUBLIC USE RE- QUIREMENT FOR QUALIFIED RESIDENTIAL
<ol> <li>14</li> <li>15</li> <li>16</li> <li>17</li> <li>18</li> <li>19</li> <li>20</li> </ol>	LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT. For purposes of section 42(g)(9)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, veterans shall not fail to be treated as a specified group under a Federal program. SEC. 503. CLARIFICATION OF GENERAL PUBLIC USE RE- QUIREMENT FOR QUALIFIED RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROJECTS.
<ol> <li>14</li> <li>15</li> <li>16</li> <li>17</li> <li>18</li> <li>19</li> <li>20</li> <li>21</li> </ol>	LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT. For purposes of section 42(g)(9)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, veterans shall not fail to be treated as a specified group under a Federal program. SEC. 503. CLARIFICATION OF GENERAL PUBLIC USE RE- QUIREMENT FOR QUALIFIED RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROJECTS. (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 142(d)(2) is amended by
<ol> <li>14</li> <li>15</li> <li>16</li> <li>17</li> <li>18</li> <li>19</li> <li>20</li> <li>21</li> <li>22</li> </ol>	LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT. For purposes of section 42(g)(9)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, veterans shall not fail to be treated as a specified group under a Federal program. SEC. 503. CLARIFICATION OF GENERAL PUBLIC USE RE- QUIREMENT FOR QUALIFIED RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROJECTS. (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 142(d)(2) is amended by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

1	(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this
2	section shall apply to bonds issued before, on, or after the
3	date of enactment of this Act.
4	SEC. 504. FLOOR PLAN FINANCING APPLICABLE TO CER-
5	TAIN TRAILERS AND CAMPERS.
6	(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 163(j)(9)(C) is amended by
7	adding at the end the following new flush sentence:
8	"Such term shall include any trailer or camper
9	which is designed to provide temporary living
10	quarters for recreational, camping, travel, or sea-
11	sonal use and is designed to be towed by, or af-
12	fixed to, a motor vehicle.".
13	(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this
14	section shall apply to taxable years beginning after Decem-
15	ber 31, 2017.
16	SEC. 505. REPEAL OF INCREASE IN UNRELATED BUSINESS
17	TAXABLE INCOME BY DISALLOWED FRINGE.
18	(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 512(a) is amended by strik-
19	ing paragraph (7).
20	(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this
21	section shall take effect as if included in section 13703 of
22	Public Law 115-97.

1	SEC. 506. CERTAIN PURCHASES OF EMPLOYEE-OWNED
2	STOCK DISREGARDED FOR PURPOSES OF
3	FOUNDATION TAX ON EXCESS BUSINESS
4	HOLDINGS.
5	(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 4943(c)(4)(A) is amended
6	by adding at the end the following new clause:
7	"(v) Certain purchases of em-
8	PLOYEE-OWNED STOCK DISREGARDED.—For
9	purposes of clause (i), subparagraph (D),
10	and paragraph (2), any voting stock
11	which—
12	((I) is not readily tradable on an
13	established securities market,
14	"(II) is purchased by the business
15	enterprise on or after January 1, 2005,
16	from a stock bonus or profit sharing
17	plan described in section 401(a) in
18	which employees of such business enter-
19	prise participate, in connection with a
20	distribution from such plan, and
21	"(III) is held by the business en-
22	terprise as treasury stock, cancelled, or
23	retired,
24	shall be treated as outstanding voting stock,
25	but only to the extent so treating such stock
26	would not result in permitted holdings ex-

1	ceeding 49 percent (determined without re-
2	gard to this clause). The preceding sentence
3	shall not apply with respect to the purchase
4	of stock from a plan during the 10-year pe-
5	riod beginning on the date the plan is estab-
6	lished."
7	(b) Effective Date.—
8	(1) IN GENERAL.—The amendments made by
9	this section shall apply to taxable years ending after
10	the date of enactment of this Act and to purchases by
11	a business enterprise of voting stock in taxable years
12	beginning before, on, or after the date of enactment of
13	this Act.
14	(2) Special rule for grandfathered foun-
15	DATIONS IN CASE OF DECREASE IN OWNERSHIP BY
16	REASON OF PRE-ENACTMENT PURCHASES.—Section
17	4943(c)(4)(A)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code of
18	1986 shall not apply with respect to any decrease in
19	the percentage of holdings in a business enterprise by
20	reason of section $4943(c)(4)(A)(v)$ of such Code (as
21	added by this section).

## 1SEC. 507. ALLOWING 501(c)(3) ORGANIZATION TO MAKE2STATEMENTS RELATING TO POLITICAL CAM-3PAIGN IN ORDINARY COURSE OF CARRYING4OUT ITS TAX EXEMPT PURPOSE.

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 501 of the Internal Revenue
6 Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the following
7 new subsection:

8 "(s) SPECIAL RULE RELATING TO POLITICAL CAM9 PAIGN STATEMENTS OF ORGANIZATION DESCRIBED IN SUB10 SECTION (c)(3).—

11 "(1) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of subsection 12 (c)(3) and sections 170(c)(2), 2055, 2106, 2522, and 13 4955, an organization shall not fail to be treated as 14 organized and operated exclusively for a purpose de-15 scribed in subsection (c)(3), nor shall it be deemed to 16 have participated in, or intervened in any political 17 campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any can-18 didate for public office, solely because of the content 19 of any statement which—

20 "(A) is made in the ordinary course of the
21 organization's regular and customary activities
22 in carrying out its exempt purpose, and

23 "(B) results in the organization incurring
24 not more than de minimis incremental ex25 penses.".

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this
 section shall apply to taxable years ending after the date
 of the enactment of this Act.

4 SEC. 508. CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS PERMITTED TO
5 MAKE COLLEGIATE HOUSING AND INFRA6 STRUCTURE GRANTS.

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 501, as amended by the
8 preceding provisions of this Act, is amended by adding at
9 the end the following new subsection:

10 "(t) TREATMENT OF ORGANIZATIONS MAKING COLLE11 GIATE HOUSING AND INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT
12 GRANTS.—

13 "(1) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of subsection 14 (c)(3) and sections 170(c)(2)(B), 2055(a)(2), and 15 2522(a)(2), an organization shall not fail to be treat-16 ed as organized and operated exclusively for chari-17 table or educational purposes solely because such or-18 ganization makes collegiate housing and infrastruc-19 ture grants to an organization described in subsection 20 (c)(7) which applies the grant to its collegiate housing 21 property.

22 "(2) HOUSING AND INFRASTRUCTURE GRANTS.—
23 For purposes of paragraph (1), collegiate housing and
24 infrastructure grants are grants to provide, improve,
25 operate, or maintain collegiate housing property that

1 may involve more than incidental social, recreational, 2 or private purposes, so long as such grants are for 3 purposes that would be permissible for a dormitory or 4 other residential facility of the college or university 5 with which the collegiate housing property is associ-6 ated. A grant shall not be treated as a collegiate hous-7 ing and infrastructure grant for purposes of para-8 graph (1) to the extent that such grant is used to pro-9 vide physical fitness facilities.

10 "(3) Collegiate housing property.—For 11 purposes of this subsection, collegiate housing prop-12 erty is property in which, at the time of a grant or following the acquisition, lease, construction, or modi-13 14 fication of such property using such grant, substan-15 tially all of the residents are full-time students at the 16 college or university in the community where such 17 property is located.

18 "(4) GRANTS TO CERTAIN ORGANIZATIONS HOLD19 ING TITLE TO PROPERTY, ETC.—For purposes of this
20 subsection, a collegiate housing and infrastructure
21 grant to an organization described in subsection
22 (c)(2) or (c)(7) holding title to property exclusively
23 for the benefit of an organization described in sub24 section (c)(7) shall be considered a grant to the orga-

nization described in subsection (c)(7) for whose ben efit such property is held.".

3 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this
4 section shall apply to grants made in taxable years ending
5 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

6 SEC. 509. RESTRICTION ON REGULATION OF CONTINGENCY
7 FEES WITH RESPECT TO TAX RETURNS, ETC.

8 The Secretary of the Treasury may not regulate, pro-9 hibit, or restrict the use of a contingent fee in connection 10 with tax returns, claims for refund, or documents in connec-11 tion with tax returns or claims for refund prepared on be-12 half of a taxpayer.

# 13 DIVISION B—TAXPAYER FIRST 14 ACT OF 2018

15 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; ETC.

16 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This division may be cited as the
17 "Taxpayer First Act of 2018".

(b) AMENDMENT OF 1986 CODE.—Except as otherwise
expressly provided, whenever in this division an amendment or repeal is expressed in terms of an amendment to,
or repeal of, a section or other provision, the reference shall
be considered to be made to a section or other provision
of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

24 (c) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for

25 this division is as follows:

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- Sec. 2005. Report on electronic payments.
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- Sec. 2401. Repeal of provision regarding certain tax compliance procedures and reports.
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- Sec. 3001. Electronic record retention.
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- Sec. 3101. Mandatory e-filing by exempt organizations.
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1	TITLE I—PUTTING TAXPAYERS
2	FIRST
3	Subtitle A—Independent Appeals
4	Process
5	SEC. 1001. ESTABLISHMENT OF INTERNAL REVENUE SERV-
6	ICE INDEPENDENT OFFICE OF APPEALS.
7	(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 7803 is amended by adding
8	at the end the following new subsection:
9	"(e) Independent Office of Appeals.—
10	"(1) Establishment.—There is established in
11	the Internal Revenue Service an office to be known as
12	the 'Internal Revenue Service Independent Office of
13	Appeals'.
14	"(2) Chief of Appeals.—
15	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The Internal Revenue
16	Service Independent Office of Appeals shall be
17	under the supervision and direction of an official
18	to be known as the 'Chief of Appeals'. The Chief
19	of Appeals shall report directly to the Commis-
20	sioner of the Internal Revenue Service and shall
21	be entitled to compensation at the same rate as
22	the highest rate of basic pay established for the
23	Senior Executive Service under section 5382 of
24	title 5, United States Code.

1	"(B) APPOINTMENT.—The Chief of Appeals
2	shall be appointed by the Commissioner of the
3	Internal Revenue Service without regard to the
4	provisions of title 5, United States Code, relating
5	to appointments in the competitive service or the
6	Senior Executive Service.
7	"(C) QUALIFICATIONS.—An individual ap-
8	pointed under subparagraph $(B)$ shall have expe-
9	rience and expertise in—
10	"(i) administration of, and compliance
11	with, Federal tax laws,
12	"(ii) a broad range of compliance
13	cases, and
14	"(iii) management of large service or-
15	ganizations.
16	"(3) Purposes and duties of office.—It
17	shall be the function of the Internal Revenue Service
18	Independent Office of Appeals to resolve Federal tax
19	controversies without litigation on a basis which—
20	"(A) is fair and impartial to both the Gov-
21	ernment and the taxpayer,
22	(B) promotes a consistent application and
23	interpretation of, and voluntary compliance
24	with, the Federal tax laws, and

1	"(C) enhances public confidence in the in-
2	tegrity and efficiency of the Internal Revenue
3	Service.
4	"(4) Right of Appeal.—The resolution process
5	described in paragraph (3) shall be generally avail-
6	able to all taxpayers.
7	"(5) Limitation on designation of cases as
8	NOT ELIGIBLE FOR REFERRAL TO INDEPENDENT OF-
9	FICE OF APPEALS.—
10	"(A) IN GENERAL.—If any taxpayer which
11	is in receipt of a notice of deficiency authorized
12	under section 6212 requests referral to the Inter-
13	nal Revenue Service Independent Office of Ap-
14	peals and such request is denied, the Commis-
15	sioner of the Internal Revenue Service shall pro-
16	vide such taxpayer a written notice which—
17	"(i) provides a detailed description of
18	the facts involved, the basis for the decision
19	to deny the request, and a detailed expla-
20	nation of how the basis of such decision ap-
21	plies to such facts, and
22	"(ii) describes the procedures pre-
23	scribed under subparagraph (C) for pro-
24	testing the decision to deny the request.

1	"(B) Report to congress.—The Commis-
2	sioner of the Internal Revenue Service shall sub-
3	mit a written report to Congress on an annual
4	basis which includes the number of requests de-
5	scribed in subparagraph (A) which were denied
6	and the reasons (described by category) that such
7	requests were denied.
8	"(C) Procedures for protesting de-
9	NIAL OF REQUEST.—The Commissioner of the
10	Internal Revenue Service shall prescribe proce-
11	dures for protesting to the Commissioner of the
12	Internal Revenue Service a denial of a request
13	described in subparagraph (A).
14	"(D) Not applicable to frivolous posi-
15	TIONS.—This paragraph shall not apply to a re-
16	quest for referral to the Internal Revenue Service
17	Independent Office of Appeals which is denied on
18	the basis that the issue involved is a frivolous po-
19	sition (within the meaning of section $6702(c)$ ).
20	"(6) Staff.—
21	"(A) IN GENERAL.—All personnel in the In-
22	ternal Revenue Service Independent Office of Ap-
23	peals shall report to the Chief of Appeals.
24	"(B) Access to staff of office of the
25	CHIEF COUNSEL.—The Chief of Appeals shall

1	have authority to obtain legal assistance and ad-
2	vice from the staff of the Office of the Chief
3	Counsel. The Chief Counsel shall ensure that
4	such assistance and advice is provided by staff of
5	the Office of the Chief Counsel who were not in-
6	volved in the case with respect to which such as-
7	sistance and advice is sought and who are not
8	involved in preparing such case for litigation.
9	"(7) Access to case files.—
10	"(A) IN GENERAL.—In any case in which a
11	conference with the Internal Revenue Service
12	Independent Office of Appeals has been scheduled
13	upon request of a specified taxpayer, the Chief of
14	Appeals shall ensure that such taxpayer is pro-
15	vided access to the nonprivileged portions of the
16	case file on record regarding the disputed issues
17	(other than documents provided by the taxpayer
18	to the Internal Revenue Service) not later than
19	10 days before the date of such conference.
20	"(B) TAXPAYER ELECTION TO EXPEDITE
21	CONFERENCE.—If the taxpayer so elects, sub-
22	paragraph (A) shall be applied by substituting
23	'the date of such conference' for '10 days before
24	the date of such conference'.

1	"(C) Specified taxpayer.—For purposes
2	of this paragraph—
3	"(i) In general.—The term 'specified
4	taxpayer' means—
5	``(I) in the case of any taxpayer
6	who is a natural person, a taxpayer
7	whose adjusted gross income does not
8	exceed \$400,000 for the taxable year to
9	which the dispute relates, and
10	"(II) in the case of any other tax-
11	payer, a taxpayer whose gross receipts
12	do not exceed \$5,000,000 for the tax-
13	able year to which the dispute relates.
14	"(ii) Aggregation rule.—Rules
15	similar to the rules of section $448(c)(2)$
16	shall apply for purposes of clause $(i)(II)$ .".
17	(b) Conforming Amendments.—
18	(1) The following provisions are each amended
19	by striking "Internal Revenue Service Office of Ap-
20	peals" and inserting "Internal Revenue Service Inde-
21	pendent Office of Appeals":
22	(A) Section $6015(c)(4)(B)(ii)(I)$ .
23	(B) Section $6320(b)(1)$ .
24	(C) Subsections $(b)(1)$ and $(d)(3)$ of section
25	6330.

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1	(D) Section $6603(d)(3)(B)$ .
2	(E) Section $6621(c)(2)(A)(i)$ .
3	(F) Section 7122 $(e)(2)$ .
4	(G) Subsections $(a)$ , $(b)(1)$ , $(b)(2)$ , and
5	(c)(1) of section 7123.
6	(H) Subsections $(c)(7)(B)(i)$ , and $(g)(2)(A)$
7	of section 7430.
8	(I) Section 7522(b)(3).
9	(J) Section $7612(c)(2)(A)$ .
10	(2) Section $7430(c)(2)$ is amended by striking
11	"Internal Revenue Service Office of Appeals" each
12	place it appears and inserting "Internal Revenue
13	Service Independent Office of Appeals".
14	(3) The heading of section $6330(d)(3)$ is amended
15	by inserting "Independent" after "IRS".
16	(c) Other References.—Any reference in any pro-
17	vision of law, or regulation or other guidance, to the Inter-
18	nal Revenue Service Office of Appeals shall be treated as
19	a reference to the Internal Revenue Service Independent Of-
20	fice of Appeals.
21	(d) SAVINGS PROVISIONS.—Rules similar to the rules
22	of paragraphs (2) through (6) of section 1001(b) of the In-
23	ternal Revenue Service Restructuring and Reform Act of
24	1998 shall apply for purposes of this section (and the
25	amendments made by this section).

1 (e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise provided
3 in this subsection, the amendments made by this sec4 tion shall take effect on the date of the enactment of
5 this Act.
6 (2) ACCESS TO CASE FILES.—Section 7803(e)(7)

7 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as added by
8 subsection (a), shall apply to conferences occurring
9 after the date which is 1 year after the date of the en10 actment of this Act.

 Subtitle B—Improved Service

 12 SEC. 1101. COMPREHENSIVE CUSTOMER SERVICE STRAT 

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(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than the date which is
1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Treasury shall submit to Congress a written
comprehensive customer service strategy for the Internal
Revenue Service. Such strategy shall include—

(1) a plan to provide assistance to taxpayers
that is secure, designed to meet reasonable taxpayer
expectations, and adopts appropriate best practices of
customer service provided in the private sector, including online services, telephone call back services,
and training of employees providing customer services,

1	(2) a thorough assessment of the services that the
2	Internal Revenue Service can co-locate with other
3	Federal services or offer as self-service options,
4	(3) proposals to improve Internal Revenue Serv-
5	ice customer service in the short term (the current
6	and following fiscal year), medium term (approxi-
7	mately 3 to 5 fiscal years), and long term (approxi-
8	mately 10 fiscal years),
9	(4) a plan to update guidance and training ma-
10	terials for customer service employees of the Internal
11	Revenue Service, including the Internal Revenue
12	Manual, to reflect such strategy, and
13	(5) identified metrics and benchmarks for quan-
14	titatively measuring the progress of the Internal Rev-
15	enue Service in implementing such strategy.
16	(b) UPDATED GUIDANCE AND TRAINING MATE-
17	RIALS.—Not later than 2 years after the date of the enact-
18	ment of this Act, the Secretary of the Treasury (or the Sec-
19	retary's delegate) shall make available the updated guidance
20	and training materials described in subsection $(a)(4)$ (in-
21	cluding the Internal Revenue Manual). Such updated guid-
22	ance and training materials (including the Internal Rev-
23	enue Manual) shall be written in a manner so as to be eas-
24	ily understood by customer service employees of the Internal
25	Revenue Service and shall provide clear instructions.

#### 1 SEC. 1102. IRS FREE FILE PROGRAM.

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—

3 (1) The Secretary of the Treasury, or the Sec4 retary's delegate, shall continue to operate the IRS
5 Free File Program as established by the Internal Rev6 enue Service and published in the Federal Register on
7 November 4, 2002 (67 Fed. Reg. 67247), including
8 any subsequent agreements and governing rules estab9 lished pursuant thereto.

10 (2) The IRS Free File Program shall continue to 11 provide free commercial-type online individual in-12 come tax preparation and electronic filing services to 13 the lowest 70 percent of taxpayers by adjusted gross 14 income. The number of taxpayers eligible to receive 15 such services each year shall be calculated by the Internal Revenue Service annually based on prior year 16 17 aggregate taxpayer adjusted gross income data.

18 (3) In addition to the services described in para19 graph (2), and in the same manner, the IRS Free
20 File Program shall continue to make available to all
21 taxpayers (without regard to income) a basic, online
22 electronic fillable forms utility.

(4) The IRS Free File Program shall continue to
work cooperatively with the private sector to provide
the free individual income tax preparation and the

electronic filing services described in paragraphs (2)
 and (3).

3 (5) The IRS Free File Program shall work coop4 eratively with State government agencies to enhance
5 and expand the use of the program to provide needed
6 benefits to the taxpayer while reducing the cost of
7 processing returns.

8 (b) INNOVATIONS.—The Secretary of the Treasury, or 9 the Secretary's delegate, shall work with the private sector 10 through the IRS Free File Program to identify and imple-11 ment, consistent with applicable law, innovative new pro-12 gram features to improve and simplify the taxpayer's expe-13 rience with completing and filing individual income tax re-14 turns through voluntary compliance.

15 SEC. 1103. LOW-INCOME EXCEPTION FOR PAYMENTS OTH-

16ERWISE REQUIRED IN CONNECTION WITH A17SUBMISSION OF AN OFFER-IN-COMPROMISE.

18 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 7122(c) is amended by add19 ing at the end the following new paragraph:

20 (3)EXCEPTION FOR LOW-INCOME TAX-21 PAYERS.—Paragraph (1), and any user fee otherwise 22 required in connection with the submission of an 23 offer-in-compromise, shall not apply to any offer-in-24 compromise with respect to a taxpayer who is an in-25 dividual with adjusted gross income, as determined

1	for the most recent taxable year for which such infor-
2	mation is available, which does not exceed 250 per-
3	cent of the applicable poverty level (as determined by
4	the Secretary).".
5	(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this
6	section shall apply to offers-in-compromise submitted after $% \mathcal{L}^{(n)}(\mathcal{L}^{(n)})$
7	the date of the enactment of this Act.
8	Subtitle C—Sensible Enforcement
9	SEC. 1201. INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE SEIZURE RE-
10	QUIREMENTS WITH RESPECT TO STRUC-
11	TURING TRANSACTIONS.
12	Section 5317(c)(2) of title 31, United States Code, is
13	amended—
14	(1) by striking "Any property" and inserting the
15	following:
16	"(A) IN GENERAL.—Any property"; and
17	(2) by adding at the end the following:
18	"(B) INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE SEIZURE
19	REQUIREMENTS WITH RESPECT TO STRUCTURING
20	TRANSACTIONS.—
21	"(i) Property derived from an il-
22	LEGAL SOURCE.—Property may only be
23	seized by the Internal Revenue Service pur-
24	suant to subparagraph $(A)$ by reason of a
25	claimed violation of section 5324 if the

1	property to be seized was derived from an
2	illegal source or the funds were structured
3	for the purpose of concealing the violation of
4	a criminal law or regulation other than sec-
5	tion 5324.
6	"(ii) NOTICE.—Not later than 30 days
7	after property is seized by the Internal Rev-
8	enue Service pursuant to subparagraph (A),
9	the Internal Revenue Service shall—
10	``(I) make a good faith effort to
11	find all persons with an ownership in-
12	terest in such property; and
13	"(II) provide each such person so
14	found with a notice of the seizure and
15	of the person's rights under clause (iv).
16	"(iii) Extension of notice under
17	CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.—The Internal
18	Revenue Service may apply to a court of
19	competent jurisdiction for one 30-day exten-
20	sion of the notice requirement under clause
21	(ii) if the Internal Revenue Service can es-
22	tablish probable cause of an imminent
23	threat to national security or personal safe-
24	ty necessitating such extension.

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1	"(iv) Post-seizure hearing.—If a
2	person with an ownership interest in prop-
3	erty seized pursuant to subparagraph (A)
4	by the Internal Revenue Service requests a
5	hearing by a court of competent jurisdiction
6	within 30 days after the date on which no-
7	tice is provided under subclause (ii), such
8	property shall be returned unless the court
9	holds an adversarial hearing and finds
10	within 30 days of such request (or such
11	longer period as the court may provide, but
12	only on request of an interested party) that
13	there is probable cause to believe that there
14	is a violation of section 5324 involving such
15	property and probable cause to believe that
16	the property to be seized was derived from
17	an illegal source or the funds were struc-
18	tured for the purpose of concealing the vio-
19	lation of a criminal law or regulation other
20	than section 5324.".

1SEC. 1202. EXCLUSION OF INTEREST RECEIVED IN ACTION2TO RECOVER PROPERTY SEIZED BY THE IN-3TERNAL REVENUE SERVICE BASED ON4STRUCTURING TRANSACTION.

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Part III of subchapter B of chapter
6 1 is amended by inserting before section 140 the following
7 new section:

8 "SEC. 139H. INTEREST RECEIVED IN ACTION TO RECOVER 9 PROPERTY SEIZED BY THE INTERNAL REV-10 ENUE SERVICE BASED ON STRUCTURING 11 TRANSACTION.

12 "Gross income shall not include any interest received 13 from the Federal Government in connection with an action 14 to recover property seized by the Internal Revenue Service 15 pursuant to section 5317(c)(2) of title 31, United States 16 Code, by reason of a claimed violation of section 5324 of 17 such title.".

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for
part III of subchapter B of chapter 1 is amended by inserting before the item relating to section 140 the following new
item:

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this
section shall apply to interest received on or after the date
of the enactment of this Act.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Sec. 139H. Interest received in action to recover property seized by the Internal Revenue Service based on structuring transaction.".

1	SEC. 1203. CLARIFICATION OF EQUITABLE RELIEF FROM
2	JOINT LIABILITY.
3	(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 6015 is amended—
4	(1) in subsection (e), by adding at the end the
5	following new paragraph:
6	"(7) Standard and scope of review.—Any
7	review of a determination made under this section
8	shall be reviewed de novo by the Tax Court and shall
9	be based upon—
10	"(A) the administrative record established
11	at the time of the determination, and
12	``(B) any additional newly discovered or
13	previously unavailable evidence.", and
14	(2) by amending subsection (f) to read as follows:
15	"(f) Equitable Relief.—
16	"(1) In general.—Under procedures prescribed
17	by the Secretary, if—
18	"(A) taking into account all the facts and
19	circumstances, it is inequitable to hold the indi-
20	vidual liable for any unpaid tax or any defi-
21	ciency (or any portion of either), and
22	``(B) relief is not available to such indi-
23	vidual under subsection (b) or (c),
24	the Secretary may relieve such individual of such li-
25	ability.

1	"(2) LIMITATION.—A request for equitable relief
2	under this subsection may be made with respect to
3	any portion of any liability that—
4	"(A) has not been paid, provided that such
5	request is made before the expiration of the ap-
6	plicable period of limitation under section 6502,
7	or
8	"(B) has been paid, provided that such re-
9	quest is made during the period in which the in-
10	dividual could submit a timely claim for refund
11	or credit of such payment.".
12	(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this
13	section shall apply to petitions or requests filed or pending
14	on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.
15	SEC. 1204. MODIFICATION OF PROCEDURES FOR ISSUANCE
16	OF THIRD-PARTY SUMMONS.
17	(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 7609(f) is amended by add-
18	ing at the end the following flush sentence:
19	"The Secretary shall not issue any summons described in
20	the preceding sentence unless the information sought to be
21	obtained is narrowly tailored to information that pertains
22	to the failure (or potential failure) of the person or group
23	or class of persons referred to in paragraph (2) to comply
24	with one or more provisions of the internal revenue law

which have been identified for purposes of such para graph.".

3 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this
4 section shall apply to summonses served after the date of
5 the enactment of this Act.

## 6 SEC. 1205. PRIVATE DEBT COLLECTION AND SPECIAL COM7 PLIANCE PERSONNEL PROGRAM.

8 (a) CERTAIN TAX RECEIVABLES NOT ELIGIBLE FOR
9 COLLECTION UNDER TAX COLLECTION CONTRACTS.—Sec10 tion 6306(d)(3) is amended by striking "or" at the end of
11 subparagraph (C) and by inserting after subparagraph (D)
12 the following new subparagraphs:

13 "(E) a taxpayer substantially all of whose 14 income consists of disability insurance benefits 15 under section 223 of the Social Security Act or 16 supplemental security income benefits under title 17 XVI of the Social Security Act (including sup-18 plemental security income benefits of the type de-19 scribed in section 1616 of such Act or section 212 20 of Public Law 93-66), or

21 "(F) a taxpayer who is an individual with
22 adjusted gross income, as determined for the
23 most recent taxable year for which such informa24 tion is available, which does not exceed 200 per-

1	cent of the applicable poverty level (as deter-
2	mined by the Secretary).".
3	(b) Determination of Inactive Tax Receivables
4	ELIGIBLE FOR COLLECTION UNDER TAX COLLECTION CON-
5	TRACTS.—Section 6306(c)(2)(A)(ii) is amended by striking
6	"more than 1/3 of the period of the applicable statute of limi-
7	tation has lapsed" and inserting "more than 2 years has
8	passed since assessment".

9 (c) MAXIMUM LENGTH OF INSTALLMENT AGREEMENTS
10 OFFERED UNDER TAX COLLECTION CONTRACTS.—Section
11 6306(b)(1)(B) is amended by striking "5 years" and insert12 ing "7 years".

13 (d) CLARIFICATION THAT SPECIAL COMPLIANCE PER14 SONNEL PROGRAM ACCOUNT MAY BE USED FOR PROGRAM
15 COSTS.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 6307(b) is amended—
17 (A) in paragraph (2), by striking all that
18 follows "under such program" and inserting a
19 period, and

20 (B) in paragraph (3), by striking all that
21 follows "out of such account" and inserting "for
22 other than program costs".

23 (2) COMMUNICATIONS, SOFTWARE, AND TECH24 NOLOGY COSTS TREATED AS PROGRAM COSTS.—Sec25 tion 6307(d)(2)(B) is amended by striking "tele-

1	communications" and inserting "communications,
2	software, technology".
3	(3) Conforming Amendment.—Section
4	6307(d)(2) is amended by striking "and" at the end
5	of subparagraph (A), by striking the period at the end
6	of subparagraph $(B)$ and inserting ", and", and by
7	inserting after subparagraph $(B)$ the following new
8	subparagraph:
9	"(C) reimbursement of the Internal Revenue
10	Service or other government agencies for the cost
11	of administering the qualified tax collection pro-
12	gram under section 6306.".
13	(e) Effective Dates.—
14	(1) In General.—Except as otherwise provided
15	in this subsection, the amendments made by this sec-
16	tion shall apply to tax receivables identified by the
17	Secretary (or the Secretary's delegate) after December
18	31, 2019.
19	(2) Maximum length of installment agree-
20	MENTS.—The amendment made by subsection (c)
21	shall apply to contracts entered into after the date of
22	the enactment of this Act.
23	(3) Use of special compliance personnel
24	PROGRAM ACCOUNT.—The amendment made by sub-
25	section (d) shall apply to amounts expended from the

1	special compliance personnel program account after
2	the date of the enactment of this Act.
3	SEC. 1206. REFORM OF NOTICE OF CONTACT OF THIRD PAR-
4	TIES.
5	(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 7602(c)(1) is amended to
6	read as follows:
7	"(1) GENERAL NOTICE.—An officer or employee
8	of the Internal Revenue Service may not contact any
9	person other than the taxpayer with respect to the de-
10	termination or collection of the tax liability of such
11	taxpayer unless such contact occurs during a period
12	(not greater than 1 year) which is specified in a no-
13	tice which—
14	"(A) informs the taxpayer that contacts
15	with persons other than the taxpayer are in-
16	tended to be made during such period, and
17	``(B) except as otherwise provided by the
18	Secretary, is provided to the taxpayer not later
19	than 45 days before the beginning of such period.
20	Nothing in the preceding sentence shall prevent the
21	issuance of notices to the same taxpayer with respect
22	to the same tax liability with periods specified therein
23	that, in the aggregate, exceed 1 year. A notice shall
24	not be issued under this paragraph unless there is an
25	intent at the time such notice is issued to contact per-

sons other than the taxpayer during the period specified in such notice. The preceding sentence shall not
prevent the issuance of a notice if the requirement of
such sentence is met on the basis of the assumption
that the information sought to be obtained by such
contact will not be obtained by other means before
such contact.".

8 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this 9 section shall apply to notices provided, and contacts of per-10 sons made, after the date which is 45 days after the date 11 of the enactment of this Act.

## 12 SEC. 1207. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO ISSUE DES13 IGNATED SUMMONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (1) of section 6503(j) is
amended by striking "coordinated examination program"
and inserting "coordinated industry case program".

17 (b) REQUIREMENTS FOR SUMMONS.—Clause (i) of sec18 tion 6503(j)(2)(A) is amended to read as follows:

19"(i) the issuance of such summons is20preceded by a review and written approval21of such issuance by the Commissioner of the22relevant operating division of the Internal23Revenue Service and the Chief Counsel24which—

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1	``(I) states facts clearly estab-
2	lishing that the Secretary has made
3	reasonable requests for the information
4	that is the subject of the summons, and
5	"(II) is attached to such sum-
6	mons,".
7	(c) ESTABLISHMENT THAT REASONABLE REQUESTS
8	FOR INFORMATION WERE MADE.—Subsection (j) of section
9	6503 is amended by adding at the end the following new
10	paragraph:
11	"(4) ESTABLISHMENT THAT REASONABLE RE-
12	QUESTS FOR INFORMATION WERE MADE.—In any
13	court proceeding described in paragraph (3), the Sec-
14	retary shall establish that reasonable requests were
15	made for the information that is the subject of the
16	summons.".
17	(d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this
18	section shall apply to summonses issued after the date of
19	the enactment of this Act.
20	SEC. 1208. LIMITATION ON ACCESS OF NON-INTERNAL REV-
21	ENUE SERVICE EMPLOYEES TO RETURNS AND
22	RETURN INFORMATION.
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	(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 7602 is amended by adding
24	(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 7602 is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

1 "(f) Limitation on Access of Persons Other 2 THAN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE OFFICERS AND EM-3 PLOYEES.—The Secretary shall not, under the authority of 4 section 6103(n), provide any books, papers, records, or other 5 data obtained pursuant to this section to any person authorized under section 6103(n), except when such person re-6 7 quires such information for the sole purpose of providing 8 expert evaluation and assistance to the Internal Revenue 9 Service. No person other than an officer or employee of the Internal Revenue Service or the Office of Chief Counsel 10 may, on behalf of the Secretary, question a witness under 11 oath whose testimony was obtained pursuant to this sec-12 13 tion.".

14 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this
15 section—

16 (1) shall take effect on the date of the enactment
17 of this Act, and

(2) shall not fail to apply to a contract in effect
under section 6103(n) of the Internal Revenue Code
of 1986 merely because such contract was in effect be-

21 fore the date of the enactment of this Act.

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SEC. 1301. OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL TAXPAYER ADVO-3 4 CATE. 5 (a) TAXPAYER ADVOCATE DIRECTIVES.— 6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 7803(c) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph: 7 8 "(5) TAXPAYER ADVOCATE DIRECTIVES.—In the 9 case of any Taxpayer Advocate Directive issued by 10 the National Taxpayer Advocate pursuant to a dele-11 gation of authority from the Commissioner of the In-12 ternal Revenue Service— 13 "(A) the Commissioner or a Deputy Com-14 missioner shall modify, rescind, or ensure com-15 pliance with such directive not later than 90 16 days after the issuance of such directive, and 17 "(B) in the case of any directive which is 18 modified or rescinded by a Deputy Commis-19 sioner, the National Taxpayer Advocate may 20 (not later than 90 days after such modification 21 or rescission) appeal to the Commissioner and 22 the Commissioner shall (not later than 90 days 23 after such appeal is made) ensure compliance 24 with such directive as issued by the National 25 Taxpayer Advocate or provide the National Tax-

1	payer Advocate with a detailed description of the
2	reasons for any modification or rescission made
3	or upheld by the Commissioner pursuant to such
4	appeal.".
5	(2) Report to certain committees of con-
6	GRESS REGARDING DIRECTIVES.—Section
7	7803(c)(2)(B)(ii) is amended by redesignating sub-
8	clauses (VIII) through (XI) as subclauses (IX) through
9	(XII), respectively, and by inserting after subclause
10	(VII) the following new subclause:
11	"(VIII) identify any Taxpayer
12	Advocate Directive which was not hon-
13	ored by the Internal Revenue Service
14	in a timely manner, as specified under
15	paragraph (5);".
16	(b) NATIONAL TAXPAYER ADVOCATE ANNUAL RE-
17	ports to Congress.—
18	(1) Inclusion of most serious taxpayer
19	PROBLEMS.—Section 7803(c)(2)(B)(ii)(III) is amend-
20	ed by striking "at least 20 of the" and inserting "the
21	10".
22	(2) Coordination with treasury inspector
23	GENERAL FOR TAX ADMINISTRATION.—Section
24	7803(c)(2) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
25	lowing new subparagraph:

1 "(E) COORDINATION WITH TREASURY IN-2 SPECTOR GENERAL FOR TAX ADMINISTRATION.— 3 Before beginning any research or study, the Na-4 tional Taxpayer Advocate shall coordinate with 5 the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Admin-6 istration to ensure that the National Taxpayer 7 Advocate does not duplicate any action that the 8 Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administra-9 tion has already undertaken or has a plan to un-10 dertake.". 11 (3) Statistical support.— 12 (A) IN GENERAL.—Section 6108 is amended 13 by adding at the end the following new sub-14 section: 15 "(d) Statistical Support for National Taxpayer ADVOCATE.—The Secretary shall, upon request of the Na-16 tional Taxpayer Advocate, provide the National Taxpayer 17 Advocate with statistical support in connection with the 18 preparation by the National Taxpayer Advocate of the an-19 nual report described in section 7803(c)(2)(B)(ii). Such sta-20 21 tistical support shall include statistical studies, compila-22 tions, and the review of information provided by the Na-23 tional Taxpayer Advocate for statistical validity and sound 24 statistical methodology.".

1	(B) DISCLOSURE OF REVIEW.—Section
2	7803(c)(2)(B)(ii), as amended by subsection (a),
3	is amended by redesignating subclause (XII) as
4	subclause (XIII) and by inserting after subclause
5	(XI) the following new subclause:
6	"(XII) with respect to any statis-
7	tical information included in such re-
8	port, include a statement of whether
9	such statistical information was re-
10	viewed or provided by the Secretary
11	under section 6108(d) and, if so,
12	whether the Secretary determined such
13	information to be statistically valid
14	and based on sound statistical method-
15	ology.".
16	(C) Conforming Amendment.—Section
17	7803(c)(2)(B)(iii) is amended by adding at the
18	end the following: "The preceding sentence shall
19	not apply with respect to statistical information
20	provided to the Secretary for review, or received
21	from the Secretary, under section 6108(d).".
22	(c) Salary of National Taxpayer Advocate.—Sec-
23	tion $7803(c)(1)(B)(i)$ is amended by striking ", or, if the
24	Secretary of the Treasury so determines, at a rate fixed
25	under section 9503 of such title".

1 (d) Effective Date.—

2	(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise provided
3	in this subsection, the amendments made by this sec-
4	tion shall take effect on the date of the enactment of
5	this Act.
6	(2) SALARY OF NATIONAL TAXPAYER ADVO-
7	CATE.—The amendment made by subsection (c) shall
8	apply to compensation paid to individuals appointed
9	as the National Taxpayer Advocate after the date of
10	the enactment of this Act.
11	SEC. 1302. MODERNIZATION OF INTERNAL REVENUE SERV-
12	ICE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE.
13	(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than September 30, 2020,
14	the Commissioner of the Internal Revenue Service shall sub-
15	mit to Congress a comprehensive written plan to redesign
16	the organization of the Internal Revenue Service. Such plan
17	shall—
18	(1) ensure the successful implementation of the
19	priorities specified by Congress in this Act,
20	(2) prioritize taxpayer services to ensure that all
21	taxpayers easily and readily receive the assistance
22	that they need,
23	(3) streamline the structure of the agency includ-
24	ing minimizing the duplication of services and re-
25	sponsibilities within the agency,

1 (4) best position the Internal Revenue Service to 2 combat cybersecurity and other threats to the Internal Revenue Service, and 3 4 (5) address whether the Criminal Investigation 5 Division of the Internal Revenue Service should re-6 port directly to the Commissioner. 7 (b) REPEAL OF RESTRICTION ON ORGANIZATIONAL 8 Structure of Internal Revenue Service.—Para-9 graph (3) of section 1001(a) of the Internal Revenue Service 10 Restructuring and Reform Act of 1998 shall cease to apply beginning 1 year after the date on which the Commissioner 11 of the Internal Revenue Service submits to Congress the 12 plan described in subsection (a). 13

### 14 Subtitle E—Other Provisions

15 SEC. 1401. RETURN PREPARATION PROGRAMS FOR APPLI-

16 CABLE TAXPAYERS.

17 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 77 is amended by insert-18 ing after section 7526 the following new section:

19 "SEC. 7526A. RETURN PREPARATION PROGRAMS FOR APPLI20 CABLE TAXPAYERS.

21 "(a) ESTABLISHMENT OF VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX
22 ASSISTANCE MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM.—The Secretary
23 shall establish a Community Volunteer Income Tax Assist24 ance Matching Grant Program under which the Secretary
25 may, subject to the availability of appropriated funds, make

1	grants to provide matching funds for the development, ex-
2	pansion, or continuation of qualified return preparation
3	programs assisting applicable taxpayers and members of
4	underserved populations.
5	"(b) Use of Funds.—
6	"(1) IN GENERAL.—Qualified return preparation
7	programs may use grants received under this section
8	for—
9	"(A) ordinary and necessary costs associ-
10	ated with program operation in accordance with
11	cost principles under the applicable Office of
12	Management and Budget circular, including—
13	"(i) wages or salaries of persons co-
14	ordinating the activities of the program,
15	"(ii) developing training materials,
16	conducting training, and performing qual-
17	ity reviews of the returns prepared under
18	the program,
19	"(iii) equipment purchases, and
20	"(iv) vehicle-related expenses associated
21	with remote or rural tax preparation serv-
22	ices,
23	``(B) outreach and educational activities de-
24	scribed in subsection $(c)(2)(B)$ , and

1	``(C) services related to financial education
2	and capability, asset development, and the estab-
3	lishment of savings accounts in connection with
4	tax return preparation.
5	"(2) Requirement of matching funds.—A
6	qualified return preparation program must provide
7	matching funds on a dollar-for-dollar basis for all
8	grants provided under this section. Matching funds
9	may include—
10	"(A) the salary (including fringe benefits)
11	of individuals performing services for the pro-
12	gram,
13	"(B) the cost of equipment used in the pro-
14	gram, and
15	"( $C$ ) other ordinary and necessary costs as-
16	sociated with the program.
17	Indirect expenses, including general overhead of any
18	entity administering the program, shall not be count-
19	ed as matching funds.
20	"(c) APPLICATION.—
21	"(1) IN GENERAL.—Each applicant for a grant
22	under this section shall submit an application to the
23	Secretary at such time, in such manner, and con-
24	taining such information as the Secretary may rea-
25	sonably require.

1	"(2) PRIORITY.—In awarding grants under this
2	section, the Secretary shall give priority to applica-
3	tions which demonstrate—
4	"(A) assistance to applicable taxpayers,
5	with emphasis on outreach to, and services for,
6	such taxpayers,
7	(B) taxpayer outreach and educational ac-
8	tivities relating to eligibility and availability of
9	income supports available through this title, in-
10	cluding the earned income tax credit, and
11	``(C) specific outreach and focus on one or
12	more underserved populations.
13	"(3) Amounts taken into account.—In deter-
14	mining matching grants under this section, the Sec-
15	retary shall only take into account amounts provided
16	by the qualified return preparation program for ex-
17	penses described in subsection (b).
18	"(d) Program Adherence.—
19	"(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall establish
20	procedures for, and shall conduct not less frequently
21	than once every 5 calendar years during which a
22	qualified return preparation program is operating
23	under a grant under this section, periodic site vis-
24	its—

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"(A) to ensure the program is carrying out
the purposes of this section, and
``(B) to determine whether the program
meets such program adherence standards as the
Secretary shall by regulation or other guidance
prescribe.
"(2) Additional requirements for grant
RECIPIENTS NOT MEETING PROGRAM ADHERENCE
STANDARDS.—In the case of any qualified return
preparation program which—
"(A) is awarded a grant under this section,
and
"(B) is subsequently determined—
"(i) not to meet the program adherence
standards described in paragraph $(1)(B)$ , or
"(ii) not to be otherwise carrying out
the purposes of this section,
such program shall not be eligible for any additional
grants under this section unless such program pro-
vides sufficient documentation of corrective measures
established to address any such deficiencies deter-
mined.
"(e) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section—

1	"(1) QUALIFIED RETURN PREPARATION PRO-
2	GRAM.—The term 'qualified return preparation pro-
3	gram' means any program—
4	``(A) which provides assistance to individ-
5	uals, not less than 90 percent of whom are appli-
6	cable taxpayers, in preparing and filing Federal
7	income tax returns,
8	``(B) which is administered by a qualified
9	entity,
10	``(C) in which all volunteers who assist in
11	the preparation of Federal income tax returns
12	meet the training requirements prescribed by the
13	Secretary, and
14	(D) which uses a quality review process
15	which reviews 100 percent of all returns.
16	"(2) Qualified entity.—
17	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'qualified en-
18	tity' means any entity which—
19	"(i) is an eligible organization,
20	"(ii) is in compliance with Federal tax
21	filing and payment requirements,
22	"(iii) is not debarred or suspended
23	from Federal contracts, grants, or coopera-
24	tive agreements, and

1	"(iv) agrees to provide documentation
2	to substantiate any matching funds pro-
3	vided pursuant to the grant program under
4	this section.
5	"(B) ELIGIBLE ORGANIZATION.—The term
6	'eligible organization' means—
7	"(i) an institution of higher education
8	which is described in section 102 (other
9	than subsection $(a)(1)(C)$ thereof) of the
10	Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.
11	1002), as in effect on the date of the enact-
12	ment of this section, and which has not been
13	disqualified from participating in a pro-
14	gram under title IV of such Act,
15	"(ii) an organization described in sec-
16	tion 501(c) and exempt from tax under sec-
17	tion 501(a),
18	"(iii) a local government agency, in-
19	cluding—
20	"(I) a county or municipal gov-
21	ernment agency, and
22	"(II) an Indian tribe, as defined
23	in section 4(13) of the Native Amer-
24	ican Housing Assistance and Self-De-
25	termination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C.

1	4103(13)), including any tribally des-
2	ignated housing entity (as defined in
3	section $4(22)$ of such Act (25 U.S.C.
4	4103(22))), tribal subsidiary, subdivi-
5	sion, or other wholly owned tribal enti-
6	ty,
7	"(iv) a local, State, regional, or na-
8	tional coalition (with one lead organization
9	which meets the eligibility requirements of
10	clause (i), (ii), or (iii) acting as the appli-
11	cant organization), or
12	"(v) in the case of applicable taxpayers
13	and members of underserved populations
14	with respect to which no organizations de-
15	scribed in the preceding clauses are avail-
16	able—
17	"(I) a State government agency,
18	or
19	"(II) an office providing Coopera-
20	tive Extension services (as established
21	at the land-grant colleges and univer-
22	sities under the Smith-Lever Act of
23	May 8, 1914).
24	"(3) Applicable taxpayers.—The term 'appli-
25	cable taxpayer' means a taxpayer whose income for

1	the taxable year does not exceed an amount equal to
2	the completed phaseout amount under section $32(b)$
3	for a married couple filing a joint return with three
4	or more qualifying children, as determined in a rev-
5	enue procedure or other published guidance.
6	"(4) UNDERSERVED POPULATION.—The term
7	'underserved population' includes populations of per-
8	sons with disabilities, persons with limited English
9	proficiency, Native Americans, individuals living in
10	rural areas, members of the Armed Forces and their
11	spouses, and the elderly.
12	"(f) Special Rules and Limitations.—
13	"(1) DURATION OF GRANTS.—Upon application
14	of a qualified return preparation program, the Sec-
15	retary is authorized to award a multi-year grant not
16	to exceed 3 years.
17	"(2) Aggregate limitation.—Unless otherwise
18	provided by specific appropriation, the Secretary
19	shall not allocate more than \$30,000,000 per fiscal
20	year (exclusive of costs of administering the program)
21	to grants under this section.
22	"(g) Promotion of Programs.—
23	"(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall promote
24	tax preparation through qualified return preparation

1	programs through the use of mass communications
2	and other means.
3	"(2) Provision of information regarding
4	QUALIFIED RETURN PREPARATION PROGRAMS.—The
5	Secretary may provide taxpayers information regard-
6	ing qualified return preparation programs receiving
7	grants under this section.
8	"(3) VITA GRANTEE REFERRAL.—Qualified re-
9	turn preparation programs receiving a grant under
10	this section are encouraged, in appropriate cases, to—
11	"(A) advise taxpayers of the availability of,
12	and eligibility requirements for receiving, advice
13	and assistance from qualified low-income tax-
14	payer clinics receiving funding under section
15	7526, and
16	``(B) provide information regarding the lo-
17	cation of, and contact information for, such clin-
18	ics.".
19	(b) Clerical Amendment.—The table of sections for
20	chapter 77 is amended by inserting after the item relating
21	to section 7526 the following new item:
	"Sec. 7526A. Return preparation programs for applicable taxpayers.".

1	SEC. 1402. PROVISION OF INFORMATION REGARDING LOW-
2	INCOME TAXPAYER CLINICS.
3	(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 7526(c) of the Internal
4	Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end
5	the following new paragraph:
6	"(6) Provision of information regarding
7	QUALIFIED LOW-INCOME TAXPAYER CLINICS.—Not-
8	withstanding any other provision of law, officers and
9	employees of the Department of the Treasury may—
10	"(A) advise taxpayers of the availability of,
11	and eligibility requirements for receiving, advice
12	and assistance from one or more specific quali-
13	fied low-income taxpayer clinics receiving fund-
14	ing under this section, and
15	(B) provide information regarding the lo-
16	cation of, and contact information for, such clin-
17	<i>ics.</i> ".
18	(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this
19	section shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this
20	Act.
21	SEC. 1403. NOTICE FROM IRS REGARDING CLOSURE OF TAX-
22	PAYER ASSISTANCE CENTERS.
23	Not later than 90 days before the date that a proposed
24	closure of a Taxpayer Assistance Center would take effect,
25	the Secretary of the Treasury (or the Secretary's delegate)
26	shall—

1	(1) make publicly available (including by non-
2	electronic means) a notice which—
3	(A) identifies the Taxpayer Assistance Cen-
4	ter proposed for closure and the date of such pro-
5	posed closure, and
6	(B) identifies the relevant alternative
7	sources of taxpayer assistance which may be uti-
8	lized by taxpayers affected by such proposed clo-
9	sure, and
10	(2) submit to Congress a written report that in-
11	cludes—
12	(A) the information included in the notice
13	described in paragraph (1),
14	(B) the reasons for such proposed closure,
15	and
16	(C) such other information as the Secretary
17	may determine appropriate.
18	SEC. 1404. RULES FOR SEIZURE AND SALE OF PERISHABLE
19	GOODS RESTRICTED TO ONLY PERISHABLE
20	GOODS.
21	(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 6336 of the Internal Rev-
22	enue Code of 1986 is amended by striking "or become great-
23	ly reduced in price or value by keeping, or that such prop-
24	erty cannot be kept without great expense".

1	(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this
2	section shall apply to property seized after the date of the
3	enactment of this Act.
4	SEC. 1405. WHISTLEBLOWER REFORMS.
5	(a) Modifications to Disclosure Rules for
6	Whistleblowers.—
7	(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 6103(k) is amended
8	by adding at the end the following new paragraph:
9	"(13) Disclosure to whistleblowers.—
10	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may dis-
11	close, to any individual providing information
12	relating to any purpose described in paragraph
13	(1) or (2) of section 7623(a), return information
14	related to the investigation of any taxpayer with
15	respect to whom the individual has provided
16	such information, but only to the extent that
17	such disclosure is necessary in obtaining infor-
18	mation, which is not otherwise reasonably avail-
19	able, with respect to the correct determination of
20	tax liability for tax, or the amount to be collected
21	with respect to the enforcement of any other pro-
22	vision of this title.
23	"(B) UPDATES ON WHISTLEBLOWER INVES-
24	TIGATIONS.—The Secretary shall disclose to an
25	individual providing information relating to

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2	of section 7623(a) the following:
3	"(i) Not later than 60 days after a case
4	for which the individual has provided infor-
5	mation has been referred for an audit or ex-
6	amination, a notice with respect to such re-
7	ferral.
8	"(ii) Not later than 60 days after a
9	taxpayer with respect to whom the indi-
10	vidual has provided information has made
11	a payment of tax with respect to tax liabil-
12	ity to which such information relates, a no-
13	tice with respect to such payment.
14	"(iii) Subject to such requirements and
15	conditions as are prescribed by the Sec-
16	retary, upon a written request by such indi-
17	vidual—
18	``(I) information on the status
19	and stage of any investigation or ac-
20	tion related to such information, and
21	"(II) in the case of a determina-
22	tion of the amount of any award under
23	section 7623(b), the reasons for such
24	determination.

1	Clause (iii) shall not apply to any information
2	if the Secretary determines that disclosure of
3	such information would seriously impair Federal
4	tax administration. Information described in
5	clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) may be disclosed to a
6	designee of the individual providing such infor-
7	mation in accordance with guidance provided by
8	the Secretary.".
9	(2) Conforming Amendments.—
10	(A) Confidentiality of information.—
11	Section 6103(a)(3) is amended by striking "sub-
12	section $(k)(10)$ " and inserting "paragraph (10)
13	or (13) of subsection (k)".
14	(B) PENALTY FOR UNAUTHORIZED DISCLO-
15	SURE.—Section 7213(a)(2) is amended by strik-
16	ing "(k)(10)" and inserting "(k)(10) or (13)".
17	(C) Coordination with Authority to
18	disclose for investigative purposes.—Sec-
19	tion $6103(k)(6)$ is amended by adding at the end
20	the following new sentence: "This paragraph
21	shall not apply to any disclosure to an indi-
22	vidual providing information relating to any
23	purpose described in paragraph (1) or (2) of sec-
24	tion 7623(a) which is made under paragraph
25	(13)(A).".

(b) PROTECTION AGAINST RETALIATION.—Section
 2 7623 is amended by adding at the end the following new
 3 subsection:

4 "(d) CIVIL ACTION TO PROTECT AGAINST RETALIA5 TION CASES.—

"(1) ANTI-RETALIATION WHISTLEBLOWER PRO-6 7 TECTION FOR EMPLOYEES.—No employer, or any offi-8 cer, employee, contractor, subcontractor, or agent of 9 such employer, may discharge, demote, suspend, 10 threaten, harass, or in any other manner discrimi-11 nate against an employee in the terms and conditions 12 of employment (including through an act in the ordi-13 nary course of such employee's duties) in reprisal for 14 any lawful act done by the employee—

"(A) to provide information, cause informa-15 tion to be provided, or otherwise assist in an in-16 17 vestigation regarding underpayment of tax or 18 any conduct which the employee reasonably be-19 lieves constitutes a violation of the internal rev-20 enue laws or any provision of Federal law relat-21 ing to tax fraud, when the information or assist-22 ance is provided to the Internal Revenue Service, 23 the Secretary of Treasury, the Treasury Inspec-24 tor General for Tax Administration, the Comp-25 troller General of the United States, the Depart-

1	ment of Justice, the United States Congress, a
2	person with supervisory authority over the em-
3	ployee, or any other person working for the em-
4	ployer who has the authority to investigate, dis-
5	cover, or terminate misconduct, or
6	``(B) to testify, participate in, or otherwise
7	assist in any administrative or judicial action
8	taken by the Internal Revenue Service relating to
9	an alleged underpayment of tax or any violation
10	of the internal revenue laws or any provision of
11	Federal law relating to tax fraud.
12	"(2) Enforcement action.—
13	"(A) IN GENERAL.—A person who alleges
14	discharge or other reprisal by any person in vio-
15	lation of paragraph (1) may seek relief under
16	paragraph (3) by—
17	"(i) filing a complaint with the Sec-
18	retary of Labor, or
19	"(ii) if the Secretary of Labor has not
20	issued a final decision within 180 days of
21	the filing of the complaint and there is no
22	showing that such delay is due to the bad
23	faith of the claimant, bringing an action at
24	law or equity for de novo review in the ap-
25	propriate district court of the United

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1	States, which shall have jurisdiction over
2	such an action without regard to the
3	amount in controversy.
4	"(B) Procedure.—
5	"(i) In general.—An action under
6	subparagraph (A)(i) $shall$ be governed
7	under the rules and procedures set forth in
8	section 42121(b) of title 49, United States
9	Code.
10	"(ii) Exception.—Notification made
11	under section 42121(b)(1) of title 49, United
12	States Code, shall be made to the person
13	named in the complaint and to the em-
14	ployer.
15	"(iii) Burdens of proof.—An action
16	brought under subparagraph (A)(ii) shall be
17	governed by the legal burdens of proof set
18	forth in section 42121(b) of title 49, United
19	States Code, except that in applying such
20	section—
21	"(I) behavior described in para-
22	graph (1)' shall be substituted for be-
23	havior described in paragraphs (1)
24	through $(4)$ of subsection $(a)'$ each

1	place it appears in paragraph $(2)(B)$
2	thereof, and
3	"(II) 'a violation of paragraph
4	(1)' shall be substituted for 'a violation
5	of subsection (a)' each place it appears.
6	"(iv) Statute of limitations.—A
7	$complaint \ under \ subparagraph \ (A)(i) \ shall$
8	be filed not later than 180 days after the
9	date on which the violation occurs.
10	"(v) JURY TRIAL.—A party to an ac-
11	tion brought under subparagraph $(A)(ii)$
12	shall be entitled to trial by jury.
13	"(3) Remedies.—
14	"(A) IN GENERAL.—An employee prevailing
15	in any action under paragraph $(2)(A)$ shall be
16	entitled to all relief necessary to make the em-
17	ployee whole.
18	"(B) Compensatory damages.—Relief for
19	any action under subparagraph $(A)$ shall in-
20	clude—
21	((i) reinstatement with the same se-
22	niority status that the employee would have
23	had, but for the reprisal,

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1	"(ii) the sum of 200 percent of the
2	amount of back pay and 100 percent of all
3	lost benefits, with interest, and
4	"(iii) compensation for any special
5	damages sustained as a result of the re-
6	prisal, including litigation costs, expert wit-
7	ness fees, and reasonable attorney fees.
8	"(4) RIGHTS RETAINED BY EMPLOYEE.—Nothing
9	in this section shall be deemed to diminish the rights,
10	privileges, or remedies of any employee under any
11	Federal or State law, or under any collective bar-
12	gaining agreement.
13	"(5) Nonenforceability of certain provi-
14	SIONS WAIVING RIGHTS AND REMEDIES OR REQUIRING
15	ARBITRATION OF DISPUTES.—
16	"(A) WAIVER OF RIGHTS AND REMEDIES.—
17	The rights and remedies provided for in this sub-
18	section may not be waived by any agreement,
19	policy form, or condition of employment, includ-
20	ing by a predispute arbitration agreement.
21	"(B) PREDISPUTE ARBITRATION AGREE-
22	Ments.—No predispute arbitration agreement
23	shall be valid or enforceable, if the agreement re-
24	quires arbitration of a dispute arising under this
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25 subsection.".

1 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—The amendments made by
3 subsection (a) shall apply to disclosures made after
4 the date of the enactment of this Act.

5 (2) CIVIL PROTECTION.—The amendment made
6 by subsection (b) shall take effect on the date of the
7 enactment of this Act.

### 8 SEC. 1406. CUSTOMER SERVICE INFORMATION.

9 The Secretary of the Treasury (or the Secretary's dele10 gate) shall provide helpful information to taxpayers placed
11 on hold during a telephone call to any Internal Revenue
12 Service help line, including the following:

13 (1) Information about common tax scams.

14 (2) Information on where and how to report tax
15 scams.

16 (3) Additional advice on how taxpayers can pro-

17 *tect themselves from identity theft and tax scams.* 

#### 18 SEC. 1407. MISDIRECTED TAX REFUND DEPOSITS.

19 Section 6402 is amended by adding at the end the fol-20 lowing new subsection:

21 "(n) MISDIRECTED DIRECT DEPOSIT REFUND.—Not
22 later than the date which is 6 month after the date of the
23 enactment of the Taxpayer First Act of 2018, the Secretary
24 shall prescribe regulations to establish procedures to allow
25 for—

1	"(1) taxpayers to report instances in which a re-
2	fund made by the Secretary by electronic funds trans-
3	fer was erroneously delivered to an account at a fi-
4	nancial institution for which the taxpayer is not the
5	owner;
6	"(2) coordination with financial institutions for
7	the purpose of—
8	"(A) identifying erroneous payments de-
9	scribed in paragraph (1); and
10	((B) recovery of the erroneously transferred
11	amounts; and
12	"(3) the refund to be delivered to the correct ac-
13	count of the taxpayer.".
14	TITLE II—21ST CENTURY IRS
15	Subtitle A—Cybersecurity and
16	<b>Identity Protection</b>
17	SEC. 2001. PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP TO ADDRESS
18	IDENTITY THEFT REFUND FRAUD.
19	The Secretary of the Treasury (or the Secretary's dele-
20	gate) shall work collaboratively with the public and private
21	sectors to protect taxpayers from identity theft refund fraud.

# 1SEC. 2002. RECOMMENDATIONS OF ELECTRONIC TAX AD-2MINISTRATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE RE-3GARDING IDENTITY THEFT REFUND FRAUD.

4 The Secretary of the Treasury shall ensure that the ad-5 visory group convened by the Secretary pursuant to section 2001(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Service Restructuring 6 7 and Reform Act of 1998 (commonly known as the Electronic Tax Administration Advisory Committee) studies (includ-8 9 ing by providing organized public forums) and makes recommendations to the Secretary regarding methods to pre-10 vent identity theft and refund fraud. 11

#### 12 SEC. 2003. INFORMATION SHARING AND ANALYSIS CENTER.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Treasury (or
the Secretary's delegate) may participate in an information
sharing and analysis center to centralize, standardize, and
enhance data compilation and analysis to facilitate sharing
actionable data and information with respect to identity
theft tax refund fraud.

(b) DEVELOPMENT OF PERFORMANCE METRICS.—The
Secretary of the Treasury (or the Secretary's delegate) shall
develop metrics for measuring the success of such center in
detecting and preventing identity theft tax refund fraud.

23 (c) DISCLOSURE.—

24 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 6103(k), as amended
25 by this Act, is amended by adding at the end the fol26 lowing new paragraph:

1	"(14) Disclosure of return information
2	FOR PURPOSES OF CYBERSECURITY AND THE PREVEN-
3	TION OF IDENTITY THEFT TAX REFUND FRAUD.—
4	"(A) IN GENERAL.—Under such procedures
5	and subject to such conditions as the Secretary
6	may prescribe, the Secretary may disclose speci-
7	fied return information to specified ISAC par-
8	ticipants to the extent that the Secretary deter-
9	mines such disclosure is in furtherance of effec-
10	tive Federal tax administration relating to the
11	detection or prevention of identity theft tax re-
12	fund fraud, validation of taxpayer identity, au-
13	thentication of taxpayer returns, or detection or
14	prevention of cybersecurity threats.
15	"(B) Specified isac participants.—For
16	purposes of this paragraph—
17	"(i) IN GENERAL.—The term 'specified
18	ISAC participant' means—
19	"(I) any person designated by the
20	Secretary as having primary responsi-
21	bility for a function performed with re-
22	spect to the information sharing and
23	analysis center described in section
24	2003(a) of the Taxpayer First Act of
25	2018, and

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1	"(II) any person subject to the re-
2	quirements of section 7216 and which
3	is a participant in such information
4	sharing and analysis center.
5	"(ii) INFORMATION SHARING AGREE-
6	MENT.—Such term shall not include any
7	person unless such person has entered into
8	a written agreement with the Secretary set-
9	ting forth the terms and conditions for the
10	disclosure of information to such person
11	under this paragraph, including require-
12	ments regarding the protection and safe-
13	guarding of such information by such per-
14	son.
15	"(C) Specified return information.—
16	For purposes of this paragraph, the term 'speci-
17	fied return information' means—
18	"(i) in the case of a return which is in
19	connection with a case of potential identity
20	theft refund fraud—
21	``(I) in the case of such return
22	filed electronically, the internet pro-
23	tocol address, device identification,
24	email domain name, speed of comple-
25	tion, method of authentication, refund

1	method, and such other return infor-
2	mation related to the electronic filing
3	characteristics of such return as the
4	Secretary may identify for purposes of
5	this subclause, and
6	``(II) in the case of such return
7	prepared by a tax return preparer,
8	identifying information with respect to
9	such tax return preparer, including the
10	preparer taxpayer identification num-
11	ber and electronic filer identification
12	number of such preparer,
13	"(ii) in the case of a return which is
14	in connection with a case of a identity theft
15	refund fraud which has been confirmed by
16	the Secretary (pursuant to such procedures
17	as the Secretary may provide), the informa-
18	tion referred to in subclauses $(I)$ and $(II)$ of
19	clause (i), the name and taxpayer identi-
20	fication number of the taxpayer as it ap-
21	pears on the return, and any bank account
22	and routing information provided for mak-
23	ing a refund in connection with such re-
24	turn, and

1	"(iii) in the case of any cybersecurity
2	threat to the Internal Revenue Service, in-
3	formation similar to the information de-
4	scribed in subclauses (I) and (II) of clause
5	(i) with respect to such threat.
6	"(D) RESTRICTION ON USE OF DISCLOSED
7	INFORMATION.—
8	"(i) Designated third parties.—
9	Any return information received by a per-
10	son described in subparagraph $(B)(i)(I)$
11	shall be used only for the purposes of and
12	to the extent necessary in—
13	((I) performing the function such
14	person is designated to perform under
15	such subparagraph,
16	"(II) facilitating disclosures au-
17	thorized under subparagraph $(A)$ to
18	persons described in subparagraph
19	(B)(i)(II), and
20	"(III) facilitating disclosures au-
21	thorized under subsection (d) to par-
22	ticipants in such information sharing
23	and analysis center.
24	"(ii) Return preparers.—Any re-
25	turn information received by a person de-

1	scribed in subparagraph $(B)(i)(II)$ shall be
2	treated for purposes of section 7216 as in-
3	formation furnished to such person for, or
4	in connection with, the preparation of a re-
5	turn of the tax imposed under chapter 1.
6	"(E) DATA PROTECTION AND SAFE-
7	GUARDS.—Return information disclosed under
8	this paragraph shall be subject to such protec-
9	tions and safeguards as the Secretary may re-
10	quire in regulations or other guidance or in the
11	written agreement referred to in subparagraph
12	(B)(ii). Such written agreement shall include a
13	requirement that any unauthorized access to in-
14	formation disclosed under this paragraph, and
15	any breach of any system in which such infor-
16	mation is held, be reported to the Treasury In-
17	spector General for Tax Administration.".
18	(2) Application of civil and criminal pen-
19	ALTIES.—
20	(A) Section $6103(a)(3)$ , as amended by this
21	Act, is amended by striking "or (13)" and in-
22	serting "(13), or (14)".
23	(B) Section $7213(a)(2)$ , as amended by this
24	Act, is amended by striking "or (13)" and in-
25	serting "(13), or (14)".

1	SEC. 2004. COMPLIANCE BY CONTRACTORS WITH CON-
2	FIDENTIALITY SAFEGUARDS.
3	(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 6103(p) is amended by
4	adding at the end the following new paragraph:
5	"(9) Disclosure to contractors and other
6	AGENTS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of
7	this section, no return or return information shall be
8	disclosed to any contractor or other agent of a Fed-
9	eral, State, or local agency unless such agency, to the
10	satisfaction of the Secretary—
11	"(A) has requirements in effect which re-
12	quire each such contractor or other agent which
13	would have access to returns or return informa-
14	tion to provide safeguards (within the meaning
15	of paragraph (4)) to protect the confidentiality
16	of such returns or return information,
17	``(B) agrees to conduct an on-site review
18	every 3 years (or a mid-point review in the case
19	of contracts or agreements of less than 3 years in
20	duration) of each contractor or other agent to de-
21	termine compliance with such requirements,
22	(C) submits the findings of the most recent
23	review conducted under subparagraph $(B)$ to the
24	Secretary as part of the report required by para-
25	graph (4)(E), and

1	"(D) certifies to the Secretary for the most
2	recent annual period that such contractor or
3	other agent is in compliance with all such re-
4	quirements.
5	The certification required by subparagraph $(D)$ shall
6	include the name and address of each contractor or
7	other agent, a description of the contract or agreement
8	with such contractor or other agent, and the duration
9	of such contract or agreement. The requirements of
10	this paragraph shall not apply to disclosures pursu-
11	ant to subsection (n) for purposes of Federal tax ad-
12	ministration.".
13	(b) Conforming Amendment.—Section
14	6103(p)(8)(B) is amended by inserting "or paragraph (9)"
15	after "subparagraph (A)".
16	(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this
17	section shall apply to disclosures made after December 31,
18	2022.
19	SEC. 2005. REPORT ON ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS.

20 Not later than 2 years after the date of the enactment 21 of this Act, the Secretary of the Treasury (or the Secretary's 22 delegate), in coordination with the Bureau of Fiscal Service 23 and the Internal Revenue Service, and in consultation with 24 private sector financial institutions, shall submit a written 25 report to Congress describing how the government can uti-

lize new payment platforms to increase the number of tax 1 2 refunds paid by electronic funds transfer. Such report shall weigh the interests of reducing identity theft tax refund 3 4 fraud, reducing the Federal Government's costs in delivering tax refunds, the costs and any associated fees charged 5 to taxpayers (including monthly and point-of-service fees) 6 7 to access their tax refunds, the impact on individuals who 8 do not have access to financial accounts or institutions, and 9 ensuring payments are made to accounts at a financial institution that complies with section 21 of the Federal De-10 11 posit Insurance Act, chapter 2 of title I of Public Law 91– 12 508, and subchapter II of chapter 53 of title 31, United States Code (commonly referred to collectively as the "Bank 13 Secrecy Act") and the USA PATRIOT Act. Such report 14 15 shall include any legislative recommendations necessary to accomplish these goals. 16

# 17 SEC. 2006. IDENTITY PROTECTION PERSONAL IDENTIFICA18 TION NUMBERS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), the Secretary of the Treasury or the Secretary's delegate (hereafter
referred to in this section as the "Secretary") shall establish
a program to issue, upon the request of any individual, a
number which may be used in connection with such individual's social security number (or other identifying information with respect to such individual as determined by

the Secretary) to assist the Secretary in verifying such indi vidual's identity.

3 (b) REQUIREMENTS.—

4 (1) ANNUAL EXPANSION.—For each calendar year beginning after the date of the enactment of this 5 6 Act, the Secretary shall provide numbers through the 7 program described in subsection (a) to individuals re-8 siding in such States as the Secretary deems appro-9 priate, provided that the total number of States served 10 by such program during such year is greater than the 11 total number of States served by such program during 12 the preceding year.

(2) NATIONWIDE AVAILABILITY.—Not later than
5 years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the
Secretary shall ensure that the program described in
subsection (a) is made available to any individual residing in the United States.

18 SEC. 2007. SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT FOR TAX-RELATED

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## IDENTITY THEFT VICTIMS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Treasury (or
the Secretary's delegate) shall establish and implement procedures to ensure that any taxpayer whose return has been
delayed or otherwise adversely affected due to tax-related
identity theft has a single point of contact at the Internal
Revenue Service throughout the processing of the taxpayer's

1	case. The single point of contact shall track the taxpayer's
2	case to completion and coordinate with other Internal Rev-
3	enue Service employees to resolve case issues as quickly as
4	possible.
5	(b) SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT.—
6	(1) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of subsection
7	(a), the single point of contact shall consist of a team
, 8	or subset of specially trained employees who—
9	(A) have the ability to work across func-
10	tions to resolve the issues involved in the tax-
11	payer's case; and
12	(B) shall be accountable for handling the
12	case until its resolution.
14	(2) TEAM OR SUBSET.—The employees included
15	within the team or subset described in paragraph (1)
16	may change as required to meet the needs of the Inter-
17	nal Revenue Service, provided that procedures have
18	been established to—
19	(A) ensure continuity of records and case
20	history; and
21	(B) notify the taxpayer when appropriate.
22	SEC. 2008. NOTIFICATION OF SUSPECTED IDENTITY THEFT.
23	(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 77 is amended by adding
24	at the end the following new section:

1 "SEC. 7529. NOTIFICATION OF SUSPECTED IDENTITY

2	THEFT.
3	"(a) IN GENERAL.—If the Secretary determines that
4	there has been or may have been an unauthorized use of
5	the identity of any individual, the Secretary shall, without
6	jeopardizing an investigation relating to tax administra-
7	tion—
8	"(1) as soon as practicable, notify the individual
9	of such determination and provide—
10	"(A) instructions on how to file a report
11	with law enforcement regarding the unauthorized
12	use of the identity of the individual,
13	``(B) the identification of any forms nec-
14	essary for the individual to complete and submit
15	to law enforcement to permit access to personal
16	information of the individual during the inves-
17	tigation,
18	(C) information regarding actions the in-
19	dividual may take in order to protect the indi-
20	vidual from harm relating to such unauthorized
21	use, and
22	"(D) an offer of identity protection meas-
23	ures to be provided to the individual by the In-
24	ternal Revenue Service, such as the use of an
25	identity protection personal identification num-
26	ber, and
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1	"(2) at the time the information described in
2	paragraph (1) is provided (or, if not available at such
3	time, as soon as practicable thereafter), issue addi-
4	tional notifications to such individual (or such indi-
5	vidual's designee) regarding—
6	"(A) whether an investigation has been ini-
7	tiated in regards to such unauthorized use,
8	``(B) whether the investigation substantiated
9	an unauthorized use of the identity of the indi-
10	vidual, and
11	"(C) whether—
12	"(i) any action has been taken against
13	a person relating to such unauthorized use,
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15	"(ii) any referral has been made for
16	criminal prosecution of such person and, to
17	the extent such information is available,
18	whether such person has been criminally
19	charged by indictment or information.
20	"(b) Employment-Related Identity Theft.—
21	"(1) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of this section,
22	the unauthorized use of the identity of an individual
23	includes the unauthorized use of the identity of the in-
24	dividual to obtain employment.

1	"(2) Determination of employment-related
2	identity theft.—For purposes of this section, in
3	making a determination as to whether there has been
4	or may have been an unauthorized use of the identity
5	of an individual to obtain employment, the Secretary
6	shall review any information—
7	"(A) obtained from a statement described in
8	section 6051 or an information return relating
9	to compensation for services rendered other than
10	as an employee, or
11	"(B) provided to the Internal Revenue Serv-
12	ice by the Social Security Administration re-
13	garding any statement described in section 6051,
14	which indicates that the social security account num-
15	ber provided on such statement or information return
16	does not correspond with the name provided on such
17	statement or information return or the name on the
18	tax return reporting the income which is included on
19	such statement or information return.".
20	(b) Additional Measures.—
21	(1) EXAMINATION OF BOTH PAPER AND ELEC-
22	TRONIC STATEMENTS AND RETURNS.—The Secretary
23	of the Treasury (or the Secretary's delegate) shall ex-
24	amine the statements, information returns, and tax
25	returns described in section 7529(b)(2) of the Internal

Revenue Code of 1986 (as added by subsection (a)) for
 any evidence of employment-related identity theft, re gardless of whether such statements or returns are
 submitted electronically or on paper.

5 (2) Improvement of effective return proc-6 ESSING PROGRAM WITH SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINIS-7 TRATION.—Section 232 of the Social Security Act (42) 8 U.S.C. 432) is amended by inserting after the third 9 sentence the following: "For purposes of carrying out 10 the return processing program described in the pre-11 ceding sentence, the Commissioner of Social Security 12 shall request, not less than annually, such informa-13 tion described in section 7529(b)(2) of the Internal 14 Revenue Code of 1986 as may be necessary to ensure 15 the accuracy of the records maintained by the Com-16 missioner of Social Security related to the amounts of 17 wages paid to, and the amounts of self-employment 18 income derived by, individuals.".

19 (3) UNDERREPORTING OF INCOME.—The Sec20 retary (or the Secretary's delegate) shall establish pro21 cedures to ensure that income reported in connection
22 with the unauthorized use of a taxpayer's identity is
23 not taken into account in determining any penalty
24 for underreporting of income by the victim of identity
25 theft.

(c) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for
 chapter 77 is amended by adding at the end the following
 new item:

"Sec. 7529. Notification of suspected identity theft.".

4 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this
5 section shall apply to determinations made after the date
6 that is 6 months after the date of the enactment of this Act.
7 SEC. 2009. GUIDELINES FOR STOLEN IDENTITY REFUND
8 FRAUD CASES.

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the date 10 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary (or the Sec-11 retary's delegate), in consultation with the National Tax-12 payer Advocate, shall develop and implement publicly 13 available guidelines for management of cases involving sto-14 len identity refund fraud in a manner that reduces the ad-15 ministrative burden on taxpayers who are victims of such 16 fraud.

17 (b) STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES TO BE CONSID18 ERED.—The guidelines described in subsection (a) may in19 clude—

20 (1) standards for—

21 (A) the average length of time in which a
22 case involving stolen identity refund fraud
23 should be resolved;

24 (B) the maximum length of time, on aver25 age, a taxpayer who is a victim of stolen iden-

1	tity refund fraud and is entitled to a tax refund
2	which has been stolen should have to wait to re-
3	ceive such refund; and
4	(C) the maximum number of offices and em-
5	ployees within the Internal Revenue Service with
6	whom a taxpayer who is a victim of stolen iden-
7	tity refund fraud should be required to interact
8	in order to resolve a case;
9	(2) standards for opening, assigning, reas-
10	signing, or closing a case involving stolen identity re-
11	fund fraud; and
12	(3) procedures for implementing and accom-
13	plishing the standards described in paragraphs (1)
14	and (2), and measures for evaluating such procedures
15	and determining whether such standards have been
16	successfully implemented.
17	SEC. 2010. INCREASED PENALTY FOR IMPROPER DISCLO-
18	SURE OR USE OF INFORMATION BY PRE-
19	PARERS OF RETURNS.
20	(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 6713 is amended—
21	(1) by redesignating subsections $(b)$ and $(c)$ as
22	subsections (c) and (d), respectively; and
23	(2) by inserting after subsection (a) the following
24	new subsection:

1	"(b) Enhanced Penalty for Improper Use or
2	Disclosure Relating to Identity Theft.—
3	"(1) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a disclosure or
4	use described in subsection (a) that is made in con-
5	nection with a crime relating to the misappropriation
6	of another person's taxpayer identity (as defined in
7	section 6103(b)(6)), whether or not such crime in-
8	volves any tax filing, subsection (a) shall be ap-
9	plied—
10	"(A) by substituting '\$1,000' for '\$250', and
11	"(B) by substituting '\$50,000' for '\$10,000'.
12	"(2) Separate application of total penalty
13	LIMITATION.—The limitation on the total amount of
14	the penalty under subsection (a) shall be applied sep-
15	arately with respect to disclosures or uses to which
16	this subsection applies and to which it does not
17	apply.".
18	(b) CRIMINAL PENALTY.—Section 7216(a) is amended
19	by striking "\$1,000" and inserting "\$1,000 (\$100,000 in
20	the case of a disclosure or use to which section 6713(b) ap-
21	plies)".
22	(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this
23	section shall apply to disclosures or uses on or after the

 $24 \ \ date \ of \ the \ enactment \ of \ this \ Act.$ 

1	Subtitle B—Development of
2	Information Technology
3	SEC. 2101. MANAGEMENT OF INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
4	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.
5	(a) Duties and Responsibilities of Internal
6	Revenue Service Chief Information Officer.—Sec-
7	tion 7803, as amended by section 1001, is amended by add-
8	ing at the end the following new subsection:
9	"(f) Internal Revenue Service Chief Informa-
10	TION OFFICER.—
11	"(1) IN GENERAL.—There shall be in the Inter-
12	nal Revenue Service an Internal Revenue Service
13	Chief Information Officer (hereafter referred to in this
14	subsection as the 'IRS CIO') who shall be appointed
15	by the Commissioner of the Internal Revenue Service.
16	"(2) Centralized responsibility for inter-
17	NAL REVENUE SERVICE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.—
18	The Commissioner of the Internal Revenue Service
19	(and the Secretary) shall act through the IRS CIO
20	with respect to all development, implementation, and
21	maintenance of information technology for the Inter-
22	nal Revenue Service. Any reference in this subsection
23	to the IRS CIO which directs the IRS CIO to take
24	any action, or to assume any responsibility, shall be

1	treated as a reference to the Commissioner of the In-
2	ternal Revenue Service acting through the IRS CIO.
3	"(3) General duties and responsibil-
4	ITIES.—The IRS CIO shall—
5	((A) be responsible for the development, im-
6	plementation, and maintenance of information
7	technology for the Internal Revenue Service,
8	``(B) ensure that the information technology
9	of the Internal Revenue Service is secure and in-
10	tegrated,
11	"(C) maintain operational control of all in-
12	formation technology for the Internal Revenue
13	Service,
14	(D) be the principal advocate for the infor-
15	mation technology needs of the Internal Revenue
16	Service, and
17	((E) consult with the Chief Procurement
18	Officer of the Internal Revenue Service to ensure
19	that the information technology acquired for the
20	Internal Revenue Service is consistent with—
21	"(i) the goals and requirements speci-
22	fied in subparagraphs $(A)$ through $(D)$ , and
23	"(ii) the strategic plan developed under
24	paragraph (4).
25	"(4) Strategic plan.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—The IRS CIO shall de-1 2 velop and implement a multiyear strategic plan for the information technology needs of the Inter-3 4 nal Revenue Service. Such plan shall— "(i) include performance measurements 5 6 of such technology and of the implementa-7 tion of such plan, 8 "(ii) include a plan for an integrated 9 enterprise architecture of the information 10 technology of the Internal Revenue Service, 11 "(iii) include and take into account 12 the resources needed to accomplish such 13 plan, 14 "(iv) take into account planned major 15 acquisitions of information technology by the Internal Revenue Service, including 16 17 Customer Account Data Engine 2 and the 18 Enterprise Case Management System, and 19 "(v) align with the needs and strategic 20 plan of the Internal Revenue Service. "(B) PLAN UPDATES.—The IRS CIO shall, 21 22 not less frequently than annually, review and 23 update the strategic plan under subparagraph 24 (A) (including the plan for an integrated enter-25 prise architecture described in subparagraph

1	(A)(ii)) to take into account the development of
2	new information technology and the needs of the
3	Internal Revenue Service.
4	"(5) Scope of Authority.—
5	"(A) INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.—For
6	purposes of this subsection, the term 'information
7	technology' has the meaning given such term by
8	section 11101 of title 40, United States Code.
9	"(B) INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE.—Any
10	reference in this subsection to the Internal Rev-
11	enue Service includes a reference to all compo-
12	nents of the Internal Revenue Service, includ-
13	ing—
14	"(i) the Office of the Taxpayer Advo-
15	cate,
16	"(ii) the Criminal Investigation Divi-
17	sion of the Internal Revenue Service, and
18	"(iii) except as otherwise provided by
19	the Secretary with respect to information
20	technology related to matters described in
21	subsection $(b)(3)(B)$ , the Office of the Chief
22	Counsel.".
23	(b) INDEPENDENT VERIFICATION AND VALIDATION OF
24	THE CUSTOMER ACCOUNT DATA ENGINE 2 AND ENTER-
25	PRISE CASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM.—

1	(1) IN GENERAL.—The Commissioner of the In-
2	ternal Revenue Service shall enter into a contract
3	with an independent reviewer to verify and validate
4	the implementation plans (including the performance
5	milestones and cost estimates included in such plans)
6	developed for the Customer Account Data Engine 2
7	and the Enterprise Case Management System.
8	(2) Deadline for completion.—Such contract
9	shall require that such verification and validation be
10	completed not later than the date which is 1 year
11	after the date of the enactment of this Act.
12	(3) Application to phases of cade 2.—
13	(A) IN GENERAL.—Paragraphs $(1)$ and $(2)$
14	shall not apply to phase 1 of the Customer Ac-
15	count Data Engine 2 and shall apply separately
16	to each other phase.
17	(B) DEADLINE FOR COMPLETING PLANS.—
18	Not later than 1 year after the date of the enact-
19	ment of this Act, the Commissioner of the Inter-
20	nal Revenue Service shall complete the develop-
21	ment of plans for all phases of the Customer Ac-
22	count Data Engine 2.
23	(C) Deadline for completion of
24	VERIFICATION AND VALIDATION OF PLANS.—In
25	the case of any phase after phase 2 of the Cus-

1	tomer Account Data Engine 2, paragraph (2)
2	shall be applied by substituting "the date on
3	which the plan for such phase was completed"
4	for "the date of the enactment of this Act".
5	(c) Coordination of IRS CIO and Chief Procure-
6	MENT OFFICER OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE.—
7	(1) IN GENERAL.—The Chief Procurement Offi-
8	cer of the Internal Revenue Service shall—
9	(A) identify all significant IRS information
10	technology acquisitions and provide written noti-
11	fication to the Internal Revenue Service Chief
12	Information Officer (hereafter referred to in this
13	subsection as the "IRS CIO") of each such acqui-
14	sition in advance of such acquisition, and
15	(B) regularly consult with the IRS CIO re-
16	garding acquisitions of information technology
17	for the Internal Revenue Service, including meet-
18	ing with the IRS CIO regarding such acquisi-
19	tions upon request.
20	(2) Significant irs information technology
21	ACQUISITIONS.—For purposes of this subsection, the
22	term "significant IRS information technology acqui-
23	sitions" means—

1	(A) any acquisition of information tech-
2	nology for the Internal Revenue Service in excess
3	of \$1,000,000, and
4	(B) such other acquisitions of information
5	technology for the Internal Revenue Service (or
6	categories of such acquisitions) as the IRS CIO,
7	in consultation with the Chief Procurement Offi-
8	cer of the Internal Revenue Service, may iden-
9	tify.
10	(3) Scope.—Terms used in this subsection which
11	are also used in section 7803(f) of the Internal Rev-
12	enue Code of 1986 (as amended by subsection $(a)$ )
13	shall have the same meaning as when used in such
14	section.
15	SEC. 2102. DEVELOPMENT OF ONLINE ACCOUNTS AND POR-
16	TALS.
17	(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Treasury or
18	the Secretary's delegate (hereafter referred to in this section
19	as the "Secretary") shall—
20	(1) develop secure individualized online accounts
21	to provide services to taxpayers and their designated
22	return preparers, including obtaining taxpayer infor-
23	mation, making payment of taxes, sharing docu-
24	mentation, and (to the extent feasible) addressing and
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1	(2) develop a process for the acceptance of tax
2	forms, and supporting documentation, in digital or
3	other electronic format.
4	(b) Electronic Services Treated as Supple-
5	MENTAL; APPLICATION OF SECURITY STANDARDS.—The
6	Secretary shall ensure that the processes described in sub-
7	section (a)—
8	(1) are a supplement to, and not a replacement
9	for, other services provided by the Internal Revenue
10	Service to taxpayers, including face-to-face taxpayer
11	assistance and services provided by phone, and
12	(2) comply with applicable security standards
13	and guidelines.
14	(c) Process for Developing Online Accounts.—
15	(1) Development of plan.—Not later than 1
16	year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the
17	Secretary shall submit to Congress a written report
18	describing the Secretary's plan for developing the se-
19	cure individualized online accounts described in sub-
20	section (a)(1). Such plan shall address the feasibility
21	of taxpayers addressing and correcting issues through
22	such accounts and whether access to such accounts
23	should be restricted and in what manner.
24	(2) DEADLINE.—The Secretary shall make every
25	reasonable effort to make the secure individualized on-

line accounts described in subsection (a)(1) available
 to taxpayers by December 31, 2023.

### 3 SEC. 2103. INTERNET PLATFORM FOR FORM 1099 FILINGS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than January 1, 2023, 4 5 the Secretary of the Treasury or the Secretary's delegate (hereafter referred to in this section as the "Secretary") 6 7 shall make available an Internet website or other electronic 8 media, with a user interface and functionality similar to the Business Services Online Suite of Services provided by 9 the Social Security Administration, that will provide access 10 to resources and guidance provided by the Internal Revenue 11 12 Service and will allow persons to—

13 (1) prepare and file Forms 1099,

14 (2) prepare Forms 1099 for distribution to re15 cipients other than the Internal Revenue Service, and
16 (3) maintain a record of completed and sub17 mitted Forms 1099.

(b) ELECTRONIC SERVICES TREATED AS SUPPLEMENTAL; APPLICATION OF SECURITY STANDARDS.—The
Secretary shall ensure that the services described in subsection (a)—

(1) are a supplement to, and not a replacement
for, other services provided by the Internal Revenue
Service to taxpayers, and

1	(2) comply with applicable security standards
2	and guidelines.
3	SEC. 2104. STREAMLINED CRITICAL PAY AUTHORITY FOR
4	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY POSITIONS.
5	(a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter A of chapter 80 is
6	amended by adding at the end the following new section:
7	"SEC. 7812. STREAMLINED CRITICAL PAY AUTHORITY FOR
8	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY POSITIONS.
9	"In the case of any position which is critical to the
10	functionality of the information technology operations of
11	the Internal Revenue Service—
12	"(1) section 9503 of title 5, United States Code,
13	shall be applied—
14	(A) by substituting 'during the period be-
15	ginning on the date of the enactment of section
16	7812 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and
17	ending on September 30, 2023' for 'Before Sep-
18	tember 30, 2013 in subsection (a)',
19	(B) without regard to subparagraph $(B)$ of
20	subsection $(a)(1)$ , and
21	(C) by substituting 'the date of the enact-
22	ment of the Taxpayer First Act of 2018' for
23	'June 1, 1998' in subsection (a)(6),
24	"(2) section 9504 of such title 5 shall be applied
25	by substituting 'During the period beginning on the

1	date of the enactment of section 7812 of the Internal
2	Revenue Code of 1986, and ending on September 30,
3	2023' for 'Before September 30, 2013' each place it
4	appears in subsections (a) and (b), and
5	"(3) section 9505 of such title shall be applied—
6	"(A) by substituting 'During the period be-
7	ginning on the date of the enactment of section
8	7812 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and
9	ending on September 30, 2023' for 'Before Sep-
10	tember 30, 2013' in subsection (a), and
11	((B) by substituting 'the information tech-
12	nology operations' for 'significant functions' in
13	subsection (a).".
14	(b) Clerical Amendment.—The table of sections for
15	subchapter A of chapter 80 is amended by adding at the
16	end the following new item:
	"Sec. 7812. Streamlined critical pay authority for information technology posi- tions.".
17	Subtitle C—Modernization of Con-
18	sent-based Income Verification
19	System
20	SEC. 2201. DISCLOSURE OF TAXPAYER INFORMATION FOR
21	THIRD-PARTY INCOME VERIFICATION.
22	(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the close
23	of the 2-year period described in subsection $(d)(1)$ , the Sec-
24	retary of the Treasury or the Secretary's delegate (hereafter

1 referred to in this section as the "Secretary") shall imple-2 ment a program to ensure that any qualified disclosure— 3 (1) is fully automated and accomplished through 4 the Internet, and (2) is accomplished in as close to real-time as is 5 6 practicable. 7 (b) QUALIFIED DISCLOSURE.—For purposes of this 8 section, the term "qualified disclosure" means a disclosure 9 under section 6103(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 of returns or return information by the Secretary to a per-10 son seeking to verify the income or creditworthiness of a 11 taxpayer who is a borrower in the process of a loan applica-12 13 tion.

(c) APPLICATION OF SECURITY STANDARDS.—The Secretary shall ensure that the program described in subsection
(a) complies with applicable security standards and guidelines.

18 (d) USER FEE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—During the 2-year period beginning on the first day of the 6th calendar month beginning after the date of the enactment of this Act,
the Secretary shall assess and collect a fee for qualified disclosures (in addition to any other fee assessed
and collected for such disclosures) at such rates as the
Secretary determines are sufficient to cover the costs

related to implementing the program described in subsection (a), including the costs of any necessary infrastructure or technology. (2) DEPOSIT OF COLLECTIONS.—Amounts received from fees assessed and collected under paragraph (1) shall be deposited in, and credited to, an account solely for the purpose of carrying out the activities described in subsection (a). Such amounts

9 shall be available to carry out such activities without
10 need of further appropriation and without fiscal year
11 limitation.

## 12SEC. 2202. LIMIT REDISCLOSURES AND USES OF CONSENT-13BASED DISCLOSURES OF TAX RETURN INFOR-

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(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 6103(c) is amended by adding at the end the following: "Persons designated by the taxpayer under this subsection to receive return information
shall not use the information for any purpose other than
the express purpose for which consent was granted and shall
not disclose return information to any other person without
the express permission of, or request by, the taxpayer.".

(b) APPLICATION OF PENALTIES.—Section 6103(a)(3)
is amended by inserting "subsection (c)," after "return information under".

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this
 section shall apply to disclosures made after the date of the
 enactment of this Act.

## 4 Subtitle D—Expanded Use of 5 Electronic Systems

6 SEC. 2301. ELECTRONIC FILING OF RETURNS.

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 6011(e)(2)(A) is amended
8 by striking "250" and inserting "the applicable number of".
9 (b) APPLICABLE NUMBER.—Section 6011(e) is amend10 ed by striking paragraph (5) and inserting the following
11 new paragraphs:

12 "(5) APPLICABLE NUMBER.—

13	"(A) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of para-
14	graph (2)(A), the applicable number shall be—
15	"(i) except as provided in subpara-
16	graph (B), in the case of calendar years be-
17	fore 2020, 250,
18	"(ii) in the case of calendar year 2020,
19	100, and
20	"(iii) in the case of calendar years
21	after 2020, 10.
22	"(B) Special rule for partnerships
23	FOR 2018 AND 2019.—In the case of a partnership,
24	for any calendar year before 2020, the applicable

25 number shall be—

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1	"(i) in the case of calendar year 2018,
2	200, and
3	"(ii) in the case of calendar year 2019,
4	150.
5	"(6) Partnerships required to file on mag-
6	NETIC MEDIA.—Notwithstanding paragraph $(2)(A)$ ,
7	the Secretary shall require partnerships having more
8	than 100 partners to file returns on magnetic
9	media.".
10	(c) Returns Filed by a Tax Return Preparer.—
11	Section $6011(e)(3)$ is amended by adding at the end the
12	following new subparagraph:
13	"(D) Exception for certain preparers
14	LOCATED IN AREAS WITHOUT INTERNET AC-
15	CESS.—The Secretary may waive the require-
16	ment of subparagraph (A) if the Secretary deter-
17	mines, on the basis of an application by the tax
18	return preparer, that the preparer cannot meet
19	such requirement by reason of being located in a
20	geographic area which does not have access to
21	internet service (other than dial-up or satellite
22	service).".
23	(d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this
24	section shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this

25 Act.

1	SEC. 2302. UNIFORM STANDARDS FOR THE USE OF ELEC-
2	TRONIC SIGNATURES FOR DISCLOSURE AU-
3	THORIZATIONS TO, AND OTHER AUTHORIZA-
4	TIONS OF, PRACTITIONERS.
5	Section 6061(b)(3) is amended to read as follows:
6	"(3) Published guidance.—
7	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall
8	publish guidance as appropriate to define and
9	implement any waiver of the signature require-
10	ments or any method adopted under paragraph
11	(1).
12	"(B) ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES FOR DIS-
13	CLOSURE AUTHORIZATIONS TO, AND OTHER AU-
14	THORIZATIONS OF, PRACTITIONERS.—Not later
15	than 6 months after the date of the enactment of
16	this subparagraph, the Secretary shall publish
17	guidance to establish uniform standards and
18	procedures for the acceptance of taxpayers' sig-
19	natures appearing in electronic form with re-
20	spect to any request for disclosure of a taxpayer's
21	return or return information under section
22	6103(c) to a practitioner or any power of attor-
23	ney granted by a taxpayer to a practitioner.
24	"(C) PRACTITIONER.—For purposes of sub-
25	paragraph (B), the term 'practitioner' means

### 3 SEC. 2303. PAYMENT OF TAXES BY DEBIT AND CREDIT 4 CARDS.

5 Section 6311(d)(2) is amended by adding at the end 6 the following: "The preceding sentence shall not apply to 7 the extent that the Secretary ensures that any such fee or 8 other consideration is fully recouped by the Secretary in 9 the form of fees paid to the Secretary by persons paying taxes imposed under subtitle A with credit, debit, or charge 10 cards pursuant to such contract. Notwithstanding the pre-11 12 ceding sentence, the Secretary shall seek to minimize the amount of any fee or other consideration that the Secretary 13 pays under any such contract.". 14

15 SEC. 2304. REQUIREMENT THAT ELECTRONICALLY PRE-16PARED PAPER RETURNS INCLUDE SCAN-17NABLE CODE.

18 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (e) of section 6011, as
19 amended by this Act, is amended by adding at the end the
20 following new paragraph:

21 "(7) SPECIAL RULE FOR RETURNS PREPARED
22 ELECTRONICALLY AND SUBMITTED ON PAPER.—The
23 Secretary shall require that any return of tax which
24 is prepared electronically, but is printed and filed on

paper, bear a code which can, when scanned, convert
 such return to electronic format.".

3 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Paragraph (1) of sec4 tion 6011(e) is amended by striking "paragraph (3)" and
5 inserting "paragraphs (3) and (7)".

6 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this
7 section shall apply to returns of tax the due date for which
8 (determined without regard to extensions) is after December
9 31, 2020.

### 10sec. 2305. AUTHENTICATION OF USERS OF ELECTRONIC11SERVICES ACCOUNTS.

12 Beginning 180 days after the date of the enactment 13 of this Act, the Secretary of the Treasury (or the Secretary's 14 delegate) shall verify the identity of any individual opening 15 an e-Services account with the Internal Revenue Service be-16 fore such individual is able to use the e-Services tools.

### 17 Subtitle E—Other Provisions

18 SEC. 2401. REPEAL OF PROVISION REGARDING CERTAIN

19TAX COMPLIANCE PROCEDURES AND RE-20PORTS.

21 Section 2004 of the Internal Revenue Service Restruc22 turing and Reform Act of 1998 (26 U.S.C. 6012 note) is
23 repealed.

### 1 SEC. 2402. COMPREHENSIVE TRAINING STRATEGY.

Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment
of this Act, the Commissioner of Internal Revenue shall submit to Congress a written report providing a comprehensive
training strategy for employees of the Internal Revenue
Service, including—

7 (1) a plan to streamline current training proc8 esses, including an assessment of the utility of further
9 consolidating internal training programs, technology,
10 and funding,

(2) a plan to develop annual training regarding
taxpayer rights, including the role of the Office of the
Taxpayer Advocate, for employees that interface with
taxpayers and their managers,

15 (3) a plan to improve technology-based training,
16 (4) proposals to—

17 (A) focus employee training on early, fair,
18 and efficient resolution of taxpayer disputes for
19 employees that interface with taxpayers and
20 their managers, and

21 (B) ensure consistency of skill development
22 and employee evaluation throughout the Internal
23 Revenue Service, and

24 (5) a thorough assessment of the funding nec25 essary to implement such strategy.

# *TITLE III—MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS Subtitle A—Reform of Laws Gov- erning Internal Revenue Service Employees*

6 SEC. 3001. ELECTRONIC RECORD RETENTION.

7 (a) RETENTION OF RECORDS.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—Email records of the Internal 9 Revenue Service shall be retained in an appropriate 10 electronic system that supports records management 11 and litigation requirements, including the capability 12 to identify, retrieve, and retain the records, in accord-13 ance with the requirements described in paragraph 14 (2).

15 (2) REQUIREMENTS.—

16 (A) PRIOR TO CERTIFICATION.—The Com-17 missioner of Internal Revenue and the Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service shall 18 19 retain all email records generated on or after the 20 date of the enactment of this Act and before the 21 date on which the Treasury Inspector General for 22 Tax Administration makes the certification 23 under subsection (c)(1).

24 (B) PRINCIPAL OFFICERS AND SPECIFIED
25 EMPLOYEES.—Not later than December 31, 2019,

1	the Commissioner of Internal Revenue and the
2	Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service
3	shall maintain email records of all principal of-
4	ficers and specified employees of the Internal
5	Revenue Service for a period of not less than 15
6	years beginning on the date such record was gen-
7	erated.

8 (b) TRANSMISSION OF RECORDS TO THE NATIONAL 9 ARCHIVES.—Not later than 15 years after the date on which 10 an email record of a principal officer or specified employee 11 of the Internal Revenue Service is generated, the Commis-12 sioner of Internal Revenue and the Chief Counsel for the 13 Internal Revenue Service shall transfer such email record 14 to the Archivist of the United States.

15 (c) COMPLIANCE.—

16 (1) CERTIFICATION.—On the date that the Treas-17 ury Inspector General for Tax Administration deter-18 mines that the Internal Revenue Service has a pro-19 gram in place that complies with the requirements of 20 subsections (a)(2)(B) and (b), the Treasury Inspector 21 General for Tax Administration shall certify to the 22 Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Rep-23 resentatives and the Committee on Finance of the 24 Senate that the Internal Revenue Service is in com-25 pliance with such requirements.

(2) Reports.—

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2	(A) INTERIM REPORT.—Not later than De-
3	cember 31, 2019, the Treasury Inspector General
4	for Tax Administration shall submit a report to
5	the Committee on Ways and Means of the House
6	of Representatives and the Committee on Fi-
7	nance of the Senate on the steps being taken by
8	the Commissioner of Internal Revenue and the
9	Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service to
10	comply with the requirements of subsections
11	(a)(2)(B) and (b).
12	(B) FINAL REPORT.—Not later than April
13	1, 2020, the Treasury Inspector General for Tax
14	Administration shall submit a report to the
15	Committee on Ways and Means of the House of
16	Representatives and the Committee on Finance
17	of the Senate describing whether the Internal
18	Revenue Service is in compliance with the re-
19	quirements of subsections $(a)(2)(B)$ and $(b)$ .
20	(d) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section—
21	(1) PRINCIPAL OFFICER.—The term "principal
22	officer" means, with respect to the Internal Revenue
23	Service—

24 (A) any employee whose position is listed
25 under the Internal Revenue Service in the most

1	recent version of the United States Government
2	Manual published by the Office of the Federal
3	Register;
4	(B) any employee who is a senior staff
5	member reporting directly to the Commissioner
6	of Internal Revenue or the Chief Counsel for the
7	Internal Revenue Service; and
8	(C) any associate counsel, deputy counsel,
9	or division head in the Office of the Chief Coun-
10	sel for the Internal Revenue Service.
11	(2) Specified employee.—The term "specified
12	employee" means, with respect to the Internal Rev-
13	enue Service, any employee who—
14	(A) holds a Senior Executive Service posi-
15	tion (as defined in section 3132 of title 5, United
16	States Code) in the Internal Revenue Service or
17	the Office of Chief Counsel for the Internal Rev-
18	enue Service; and
19	(B) is not a principal officer of the Internal
20	Revenue Service.

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 7804 is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection: 6

7 "(d) Prohibition on Rehiring Employees Invol-UNTARILY SEPARATED.—The Commissioner may not hire 8 9 any individual previously employed by the Commissioner who was removed for misconduct under this subchapter or 10 chapter 43 or chapter 75 of title 5, United States Code, or 11 whose employment was terminated under section 1203 of 12 13 the Internal Revenue Service Restructuring and Reform Act of 1998 (26 U.S.C. 7804 note).". 14

15 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by sub-16 section (a) shall apply with respect to the hiring of employees after the date of the enactment of this Act. 17

18 SEC. 3003. NOTIFICATION OF UNAUTHORIZED INSPECTION 19 OR DISCLOSURE OF RETURNS AND RETURN

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## **INFORMATION.**

21 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (e) of section 7431 is amended by adding at the end the following new sentences: 22 23 "The Secretary shall also notify such taxpayer if the Inter-24 nal Revenue Service or a Federal or State agency (upon notice to the Secretary by such Federal or State agency) 25 26 proposes an administrative determination as to discipli-•HR 88 EAH

nary or adverse action against an employee arising from
 the employee's unauthorized inspection or disclosure of the
 taxpayer's return or return information. The notice de scribed in this subsection shall include the date of the unau thorized inspection or disclosure and the rights of the tax payer under such administrative determination.".

7 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this
8 section shall apply to determinations proposed after the
9 date which is 180 days after the date of the enactment of
10 this Act.

## Subtitle B—Provisions Relating to *Exempt Organizations*

13 SEC. 3101. MANDATORY E-FILING BY EXEMPT ORGANIZA14 TIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 6033 is amended by redesignating subsection (n) as subsection (o) and by inserting
after subsection (m) the following new subsection:

18 "(n) MANDATORY ELECTRONIC FILING.—Any organi19 zation required to file a return under this section shall file
20 such return in electronic form.".

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Paragraph (7) of section 527(j) is amended by striking "if the organization has"
and all that follows through "such calendar year".

24 (c) INSPECTION OF ELECTRONICALLY FILED ANNUAL
25 RETURNS.—Subsection (b) of section 6104 is amended by

1	adding at the end the following: "Any annual return re-
2	quired to be filed electronically under section $6033(n)$ shall
3	be made available by the Secretary to the public as soon
4	as practicable in a machine readable format.".
5	(d) Effective Date.—
6	(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
7	graph (2), the amendments made by this section shall
8	apply to taxable years beginning after the date of the
9	enactment of this Act.
10	(2) Transitional relief.—
11	(A) Small organizations.—
12	(i) In general.—In the case of any
13	small organizations, or any other organiza-
14	tions for which the Secretary of the Treas-
15	ury or the Secretary's delegate (hereafter re-
16	ferred to in this paragraph as the "Sec-
17	retary") determines the application of the
18	amendments made by this section would
19	cause undue burden without a delay, the
20	Secretary may delay the application of such
21	amendments, but such delay shall not apply
22	to any taxable year beginning on or after
23	the date 2 years after of the enactment of
24	this Act.

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1	(ii) Small organization.—For pur-
2	poses of clause (i), the term "small organi-
3	zation" means any organization—
4	(I) the gross receipts of which for
5	the taxable year are less than
6	\$200,000; and
7	(II) the aggregate gross assets of
8	which at the end of the taxable year
9	are less than \$500,000.
10	(B) Organizations filing form 990–T.—
11	In the case of any organization described in sec-
12	tion 511(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of
13	1986 which is subject to the tax imposed by sec-
14	tion $511(a)(1)$ of such Code on its unrelated
15	business taxable income, or any organization re-
16	quired to file a return under section 6033 of such
17	Code and include information under subsection
18	(e) thereof, the Secretary may delay the applica-
19	tion of the amendments made by this section, but
20	such delay shall not apply to any taxable year
21	beginning on or after the date 2 years after of
22	the enactment of this Act.

1	SEC. 3102. NOTICE REQUIRED BEFORE REVOCATION OF TAX
2	EXEMPT STATUS FOR FAILURE TO FILE RE-
3	TURN.
4	(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 6033(j)(1) is amended by
5	striking "If an organization" and inserting the following:
6	"(A) NOTICE.—
7	"(i) IN GENERAL.—After an organiza-
8	tion described in subsection $(a)(1)$ or $(i)$
9	fails to file the annual return or notice re-
10	quired under either subsection for 2 consecu-
11	tive years, the Secretary shall notify the or-
12	ganization—
13	"(I) that the Internal Revenue
14	Service has no record of such a return
15	or notice from such organization for $2$
16	consecutive years, and
17	"(II) about the revocation that
18	will occur under subparagraph $(B)$ if
19	the organization fails to file such a re-
20	turn or notice by the due date for the
21	next such return or notice required to
22	be filed.
23	The notification under the preceding sen-
24	tence shall include information about how
25	to comply with the filing requirements
26	under subsection $(a)(1)$ and $(i)$ .

"(B) REVOCATION.—If an organization".
 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this
 section shall apply to failures to file returns or notices for
 2 consecutive years if the return or notice for the second
 year is required to be filed after December 31, 2018.
 Subtitle C—Tax Court
 SEC. 3301. DISQUALIFICATION OF JUDGE OR MAGISTRATE

### 8 JUDGE OF THE TAX COURT.

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—Part II of subchapter C of chapter
10 76 is amended by adding at the end the following new sec11 tion:

## 12 "SEC. 7467. DISQUALIFICATION OF JUDGE OR MAGISTRATE 13 JUDGE OF THE TAX COURT.

14 "Section 455 of title 28, United States Code, shall
15 apply to judges and magistrate judges of the Tax Court and
16 to proceedings of the Tax Court.".

17 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for
18 such part is amended by adding at the end the following
19 new item:

"Sec. 7467. Disqualification of judge or magistrate judge of the Tax Court.".

### 20 SEC. 3302. OPINIONS AND JUDGMENTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 7459 is amended by striking all the precedes subsection (c) and inserting the following:

1 "SEC. 7459. OPINIONS AND JUDGMENTS.

2 "(a) REQUIREMENT.—An opinion upon any pro3 ceeding instituted before the Tax Court and a judgment
4 thereon shall be made as quickly as practicable. The judg5 ment shall be made by a judge in accordance with the opin6 ion of the Tax Court, and such judgment so made shall,
7 when entered, be the judgment of the Tax Court.

8 "(b) Inclusion of Findings of Fact in Opinion.— 9 It shall be the duty of the Tax Court and of each division to include in its opinion or memorandum opinion upon 10 any proceeding, its findings of fact. The Tax Court shall 11 issue in writing all of its findings of fact, opinions, and 12 13 memorandum opinions. Subject to such conditions as the Tax Court may by rule provide, the requirements of this 14 subsection and of section 7460 are met if findings of fact 15 16 or opinion are stated orally and recorded in the transcript 17 of the proceedings.".

(b) REFERENCES.—Section 7459 is amended by redesignating subsection (g) as subsection (h) and by inserting
after subsection (f) the following new subsection:

21 "(g) REFERENCES.—Any reference in this title to a
22 decision or report of the Tax Court shall be treated as a
23 reference to a judgment or opinion of the Tax Court, respec24 tively.".

(c) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The item relating to
 section 7459 in the table of sections for part II of subchapter
 C of chapter 76 is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 7459. Opinions and judgments.".

4 (d) Continuing Effect of Legal Documents.—All orders, decisions, reports, rules, permits, agreements, 5 6 grants, contracts, certificates, licenses, registrations, privi-7 leges, and other administrative actions, in connection with 8 the Tax Court, which are in effect at the time this section 9 takes effect, or were final before the effective date of this 10 section and are to become effective on or after the effective date of this section, shall continue in effect according to 11 12 their terms until modified, terminated, superseded, set aside, or revoked in accordance with law by the Tax Court. 13

- 14 SEC. 3303. TITLE OF SPECIAL TRIAL JUDGE CHANGED TO
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#### MAGISTRATE JUDGE OF THE TAX COURT.

16 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 7443A is amended—

17 (1) by striking "special trial judges" in sub18 sections (a) and (e) and inserting "magistrate judges
19 of the Tax Court",

20 (2) by striking "special trial judges of the court"
21 in subsection (b) and inserting "magistrate judges of
22 the Tax Court", and

23 (3) by striking "special trial judge" in sub24 sections (c) and (d) and inserting "magistrate judge
25 of the Tax Court".

1	(b) Conforming Amendments.—
2	(1) The heading of section 7443A is amended by
3	striking "SPECIAL TRIAL JUDGES" and inserting
4	"MAGISTRATE JUDGES OF THE TAX COURT".
5	(2) The heading of section $7443A(b)$ is amended
6	by striking "Special Trial Judges" and inserting
7	"MAGISTRATE JUDGES OF THE TAX COURT".
8	(3) The item relating to section 7443A in the
9	table of sections for part $I$ of subchapter $C$ of chapter
10	76 is amended to read as follows:
	"Sec. 7443A. Magistrate judges of the Tax Court.".
11	(4) The heading of section 7448 is amended by
12	striking "SPECIAL TRIAL JUDGES" and inserting
13	"MAGISTRATE JUDGES OF THE TAX COURT".
13 14	" <b>MAGISTRATE JUDGES OF THE TAX COURT</b> ". (5) Section 7448 is amended—
14	(5) Section 7448 is amended—
14 15	(5) Section 7448 is amended— (A) by striking "special trial judge's" each
14 15 16	<ul> <li>(5) Section 7448 is amended—</li> <li>(A) by striking "special trial judge's" each place it appears in subsections (a)(6), (c)(1), (d),</li> </ul>
14 15 16 17	<ul> <li>(5) Section 7448 is amended—</li> <li>(A) by striking "special trial judge's" each place it appears in subsections (a)(6), (c)(1), (d), and (m)(1) and inserting "magistrate judge of</li> </ul>
14 15 16 17 18	<ul> <li>(5) Section 7448 is amended—</li> <li>(A) by striking "special trial judge's" each place it appears in subsections (a)(6), (c)(1), (d), and (m)(1) and inserting "magistrate judge of the Tax Court's", and</li> </ul>
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1	(B) by striking "special trial judge of the
2	Tax Court" both places it appears and inserting
3	"magistrate judge of the Tax Court".
4	(7) The heading of section 7448(b)(2) is amended
5	by striking "Special trial judges" and inserting
6	"MAGISTRATE JUDGES OF THE TAX COURT".
7	(8) The item relating to section 7448 in the table
8	of sections for part $I$ of subchapter $C$ of chapter 76
9	is amended to read as follows:
	"Sec. 7448. Annuities to surviving spouses and dependent children of judges and magistrate judges of the Tax Court.".
10	(9) Section 7456(a) is amended—
11	(A) by striking "special trial judge" each
12	place it appears and inserting "magistrate
13	judge", and
14	(B) by striking "(or by the clerk" and in-
15	serting "of the Tax Court (or by the clerk".
16	(10) Section 7466(a) is amended by striking
17	"special trial judge" and inserting "magistrate
18	judge".
19	(11) Section 7470A is amended by striking "spe-
20	cial trial judges" both places it appears in subsections
21	(a) and (b) and inserting "magistrate judges".
22	(12) Section 7471(a)(2)(A) is amended by strik-
23	ing "special trial judges" and inserting "magistrate
24	judges".

1	(13) Section 7471(c) is amended—
2	(A) by striking "Special Trial Judges"
3	in the heading and inserting "MAGISTRATE
4	JUDGES OF THE TAX COURT", and
5	(B) by striking "special trial judges" and
6	inserting "magistrate judges".
7	SEC. 3304. REPEAL OF DEADWOOD RELATED TO BOARD OF
8	TAX APPEALS.
9	(a) Section 7459, as amended by this Act, is amended
10	by striking subsection (f) and by redesignating subsections
11	(g) and (h) as subsections (f) and (g), respectively.
12	(b) Section 7447(a)(3) is amended to read as follows:
13	"(3) In any determination of length of service as
14	judge or as a judge of the Tax Court of the United
15	States there shall be included all periods (whether or
16	not consecutive) during which an individual served as
17	judge.".

Attest:

Clerk.

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