(d) ACTIONS BY THE COMMISSION.-The Commission shall prevent any person from violating a rule of the Commission under section 203 in the same manner, by the same means, and with the same jurisdiction, powers, and duties as though all applicable terms and provisions of the Federal Trade Commission Act (15 U.S.C. 41 et seq.) were incorporated into and made a part of this title. Any entity that violates such rule shall be subject to the penalties and entitled to the privileges and immunities provided in the Federal Trade Commission Act in the same manner, by the same means, and with the same jurisdiction, power, and duties as though all applicable terms and provisions of the Federal Trade Commission Act were incorporated into and made a part of this title.

(e) EFFECT ON OTHER LAWS.—Nothing contained in the Act shall be construed to limit the authority of the Commission under any other provisions of law.

SEC. 207. REVIEW.

(a) IN GENERAL.-Not later than 5 years after the effective date of the regulations initially issued under section 203, the Commission shall-

(1) review the implementation of this title including the effect of the implementation of this title on practices relating to the collection and disclosure of information relating to children, children's ability to obtain access to information of their choice online, and on the availability of websites directed to children; and

(2) prepare and submit to Congress a report on the results of the review under paragraph (1).

SEC. 208. EFFECTIVE DATE.

- Sections 203(a), 205, and 206 of this title take effect on the later of-
- (1) the date that is 18 months after the date of enactment of this Act; or (2) the date on which the Commission rules

on the first application for safe harbor treatment under section 204 if the Commission does not rule on the first such application within one year after the date of enactment of this Act, but in no case later than the date that is 30 months after the date of enactment of this Act.

TAXPAYER RELIEF ACT OF 1998

LAUTENBERG AMENDMENT NO. 3747

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mr. LAUTENBERG submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill (H.R. 4579) to provide tax relief for individuals, families, and farming and other small businesses, to provide tax incentives for education, to extend certain provisions, and for other purposes; as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted insert.

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE, ETC.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the "Tax Cut Act of 1998"

(b) AMENDMENT OF 1986 CODE.—Except as otherwise expressly provided, whenever in this Act 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.

- (c) TABLE OF CONTENTS.-
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TITLE I-FAMILY TAX RELIEF PROVISIONS Subtitle A—General Provisions

SEC. 101. ELIMINATION OF MARRIAGE PENALTY IN STANDARD DEDUCTION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (2) of section 63(c) (relating to standard deduction) is amended-

(1) by striking "\$5,000" in subparagraph (A) and inserting "twice the dollar amount in effect under subparagraph (C) for the taxable

(2) by adding "or" at the end of subparagraph (B),

(3) by striking "in the case of" and all that follows in subparagraph (C) and inserting ''in any other case.", and

(4) by striking subparagraph (D).

(b) ADDITIONAL STANDARD DEDUCTION FOR AGED AND BLIND TO BE THE SAME FOR MAR-RIED AND UNMARRIED INDIVIDUALS.-

(1) Paragraphs (1) and (2) of section 63(f) are each amended by striking "\$600" and inserting ''\$750''.

(2) Subsection (f) of section 63 is amended by striking paragraph (3) and by redesignating paragraph (4) as paragraph (3).

(c) TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.-

(1) Subparagraph (B) of section 1(f)(6) is amended by striking "(other than with" and all that follows through "shall be applied" and inserting "(other than with respect to sections 63(c)(4) and 151(d)(4)(A) shall be applied"

(2) Paragraph (4) of section 63(c) is amended by adding at the end the following flush sentence:

"The preceding sentence shall not apply to the amount referred to in paragraph (2)(A). (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments

made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1998. SEC. 102. EXEMPTION OF CERTAIN INTEREST

AND DIVIDEND INCOME FROM TAX.

(a) IN GENERAL —Part III of subchapter B of chapter 1 (relating to amounts specifically excluded from gross income) is amended by inserting after section 115 the following new section:

"SEC. 116. PARTIAL EXCLUSION OF DIVIDENDS AND INTEREST RECEIVED BY INDI-VIDUALS.

"(a) EXCLUSION FROM GROSS INCOME.-Gross income does not include dividends and interest received during the taxable year by an individual.

(b) LIMITATIONS.—

(1) MAXIMUM AMOUNT.—The aggregate amount excluded under subsection (a) for any taxable year shall not exceed \$200 (\$400 in the case of a joint return).

"(2) CERTAIN DIVIDENDS EXCLUDED.-Subsection (a) shall not apply to any dividend from a corporation which, for the taxable year of the corporation in which the distribution is made, or for the next preceding taxable year of the corporation, is a corporation exempt from tax under section 501 (relating to certain charitable, etc., organization) or section 521 (relating to farmers' cooperative associations).

(c) SPECIAL RULES.—For purposes of this section-

"(1) EXCLUSION NOT TO APPLY TO CAPITAL GAIN DIVIDENDS FROM REGULATED INVESTMENT COMPANIES AND REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUSTS.-

"For treatment of capital gain dividends, see sections 854(a) and 857(c).

"(2) CERTAIN NONRESIDENT ALIENS INELI-GIBLE FOR EXCLUSION.-In the case of a nonresident alien individual, subsection (a) shall apply only-

(Å) in determining the tax imposed for the taxable year pursuant to section 871(b)(1) and only in respect of dividends and interest which are effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business within the United States, or

"(B) in determining the tax imposed for the taxable year pursuant to section 877(b).

"(3) DIVIDENDS FROM EMPLOYEE STOCK OWN-ERSHIP PLANS.—Subsection (a) shall not apply to any dividend described in section 404(k).'

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.-

(1)(A) Subparagraph (A) of section 135(c)(4) is amended by inserting "116," before "137".

(B) Subsection (d) of section 135 is amended by redesignating paragraph (4) as paragraph (5) and by inserting after paragraph (3) the following new paragraph:

"(4) COORDINATION WITH SECTION 116.—This section shall be applied before section 116."

(2) Paragraph (2) of section 265(a) is amended by inserting before the period ", or to purchase or carry obligations or shares, or to make deposits, to the extent the interest thereon is excludable from gross income under section 116".

(3) Subsection (c) of section 584 is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new flush sentence:

"The proportionate share of each participant in the amount of dividends or interest received by the common trust fund and to which section 116 applies shall be considered for purposes of such section as having been received by such participant."

(4) Subsection (a) of section 643 is amended by redesignating paragraph (7) as paragraph (8) and by inserting after paragraph (6) the following new paragraph:

"(7) DIVIDENDS OR INTEREST.—There shall be included the amount of any dividends or interest excluded from gross income pursuant to section 116."

(5) Section 854(a) is amended by inserting ''section 116 (relating to partial exclusion of dividends and interest received by individuals) and'' after ''For purposes of''.

(6) Section 857(c) is amended to read as follows:

"(c) RESTRICTIONS APPLICABLE TO DIVI-DENDS RECEIVED FROM REAL ESTATE INVEST-MENT TRUSTS.—

"(1) TREATMENT FOR SECTION 116.—For purposes of section 116 (relating to partial exclusion of dividends and interest received by individuals), a capital gain dividend (as defined in subsection (b)(3)(C)) received from a real estate investment trust which meets the requirements of this part shall not be considered as a dividend.

"(2) TREATMENT FOR SECTION 243.—For purposes of section 243 (relating to deductions for dividends received by corporations), a dividend received from a real estate investment trust which meets the requirements of this part shall not be considered as a dividend."

(7) The table of sections for part III of subchapter B of chapter 1 is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 115 the following new item:

"Sec. 116. Partial exclusion of dividends and interest received by individuals."

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1998.

SEC. 103. NONREFUNDABLE PERSONAL CREDITS ALLOWED AGAINST ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM TAX.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (a) of section 26 is amended to read as follows:

"(a) LIMITATION BASED ON AMOUNT OF TAX.—The aggregate amount of credits allowed by this subpart for the taxable year shall not exceed the sum of—

"(1) the taxpayer's regular tax liability for the taxable year, and

"(2) the tax imposed for the taxable year by section 55(a).

For purposes of applying the preceding sentence, paragraph (2) shall be treated as being zero for any taxable year beginning during 1998.''.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(1) Subsection (d) of section 24 is amended by striking paragraph (2) and by redesignating paragraph (3) as paragraph (2). (2) Section 32 is amended by striking subsection (h).

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1997.

Subtitle B—Affordable Child Care

SEC. 111. EXPANDING THE DEPENDENT CARE TAX CREDIT.

(a) PERCENTAGE OF EMPLOYMENT-RELATED EXPENSES DETERMINED BY TAXPAYER STA-TUS.—Section 21(a)(2) (defining applicable percentage) is amended to read as follows:

"(2) APPLICABLE PERCENTAGE DEFINED.—For purposes of paragraph (1), the term 'applicable percentage' means—

"(A) except as provided in subparagraph (B), 50 percent reduced (but not below 20 percent) by 1 percentage point for each \$1,000, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayers's adjusted gross income for the taxable year exceeds \$30,000, and

"(B) in the case of employment-related expenses described in subsection (e)(11), 50 percent reduced (but not below zero) by 1 percentage point for each \$800, or fraction thereof, by which the taxpayers's adjusted gross income for the taxable year exceeds \$30,000.".

(b) INFLATION ADJUSTMENT FOR ALLOWABLE EXPENSES.—Section 21(c) (relating to dollar limit on amount creditable) is amended by striking "The amount determined and serting "In the case of any taxable year be-dollar amount reginning after 1998, each dollar amount referred to in paragraphs (1) and (2) shall be increased by an amount equal to such dollar amount multiplied by the cost-of-living adjustment determined under section 1(f)(3) for the calendar year in which the taxable year begins, by substituting 'calendar year 1997' for 'calendar year 1992' in subparagraph (B) thereof. If any dollar amount after being increased under the preceding sentence is not a multiple of \$10, such dollar amount shall be rounded to the nearest multiple of \$10. The amount determined''.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1998.

SEC. 112. MINIMUM CREDIT ALLOWED FOR STAY-AT-HOME PARENTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 21(e) (relating to special rules) is amended by adding at the end the following:

"(11) MINIMUM CREDIT ALLOWED FOR STAY-AT-HOME PARENTS.—Notwithstanding subsection (d), in the case of any taxpayer with one or more qualifying individuals described in subsection (b)(1)(A) under the age of 1 at any time during the taxable year, such taxpayer shall be deemed to have employmentrelated expenses with respect to such qualifying individuals in an amount equal to the sum of—

"(A) \$90 for each month in such taxable year during which at least one of such qualifying individuals is under the age of 1, and

"(B) the amount of employment-related expenses otherwise incurred for such qualifying individuals for the taxable year (determined under this section without regard to this paragraph).".

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1998.

SEC. 113. CREDIT MADE REFUNDABLE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Part IV of subchapter A of chapter 1 (relating to credits against tax) is amended—

 $\left(1\right)$ by redesignating section 35 as section 36, and

(2) by redesignating section 21 as section 35.

(b) ADVANCE PAYMENT OF CREDIT.—Chapter 25 (relating to general provisions relating to employment taxes) is amended by inserting after section 3507 the following:

"SEC. 3507A. ADVANCE PAYMENT OF DEPENDENT CARE CREDIT.

"(a) GENERAL RULE.—Except as otherwise provided in this section, every employer making payment of wages with respect to whom a dependent care eligibility certificate is in effect shall, at the time of paying such wages, make an additional payment equal to such employee's dependent care advance amount.

''(b) DEPENDENT CARE ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATE.—For purposes of this title, a dependent care eligibility certificate is a statement furnished by an employee to the employer which—

"(1) certifies that the employee will be eligible to receive the credit provided by section 35 for the taxable year,

"(2) certifies that the employee reasonably expects to be an applicable taxpayer for the taxable year,

"(3) certifies that the employee does not have a dependent care eligibility certificate in effect for the calendar year with respect to the payment of wages by another employer,

"(4) states whether or not the employee's spouse has a dependent care eligibility certificate in effect,

 $^{\prime\prime}(5)$ states the number of qualifying individuals in the household maintained by the employee, and

('(6) estimates the amount of employmentrelated expenses for the calendar year.

"(c) DEPENDENT CARE ADVANCE AMOUNT.— "(1) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of this

title, the term 'dependent care advance amount' means, with respect to any payroll period, the amount determined—

"(A) on the basis of the employee's wages from the employer for such period,

"(B) on the basis of the employee's estimated employment-related expenses included in the dependent care eligibility certificate, and

 $\ensuremath{^{\prime\prime}C}\xspace$) in accordance with tables provided by the Secretary.

"(2) ADVANCE AMOUNT TABLES.—The tables referred to in paragraph (1)(C) shall be similar in form to the tables prescribed under section 3402 and, to the maximum extent feasible, shall be coordinated with such tables and the tables prescribed under section 3507(c).

"(d) OTHER RULES.—For purposes of this section, rules similar to the rules of subsections (d) and (e) of section 3507 shall apply.

"(e) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section, terms used in this section which are defined in section 35 shall have the respective meanings given such terms by section 35.".

(c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(1) Section 35(a)(1), as redesignated by paragraph (1), is amended by striking "chapter" and inserting "subtitle".

(2) Section 35(e), as so redesignated and amended by subsection (c), is amended by adding at the end the following:

"(12) COORDINATION WITH ADVANCE PAY-MENTS AND MINIMUM TAX.—Rules similar to the rules of subsections (g) and (h) of section 32 shall apply for purposes of this section.".

(3) Sections 23(f)(1) and 129(a)(2)(C) are each amended by striking "section 21(e)" and inserting "section 35(e)".

(4) Section 129(b)(2) is amended by striking 'section 21(d)(2)'' and inserting 'section 35(d)(2)''.

(5) Section 129(e)(1) is amended by striking "section 21(b)(2)" and inserting "section 35(b)(2)".

(6) Section 213(e) is amended by striking "section 21" and inserting "section 35".

(7) Section 995(f)(2)(C) is amended by striking "and 34" and inserting "34, and 35".

(8) Section 6211(b)(4)(A) is amended by striking "and 34" and inserting ", 34, and 35".

(9) Section 6213(g)(2)(H) is amended by striking "section 21" and inserting "section 35".

(10) The table of sections for subpart C of part IV of subchapter A of chapter 1 is amended by striking the item relating to section 35 and inserting the following:

"Sec. 35. Dependent care services.

"Sec. 36. Overpayments of tax."

(11) The table of sections for subpart A of such part IV is amended by striking the item relating to section 21.

(12) The table of sections for chapter 25 is amended by adding after the item relating to section 3507 the following:

"Sec. 3507A. Advance payment of dependent care credit.".

(13) Section 1324(b)(2) of title 31, United States Code, is amended by inserting before the period ", or enacted by the Tax Cut Act of 1998".

(d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1998.

SEC. 114. ALLOWANCE OF CREDIT FOR EM-PLOYER EXPENSES FOR CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subpart D of part IV of subchapter A of chapter 1 (relating to business related credits) is amended by adding at the end the following:

"SEC. 45D. EMPLOYER-PROVIDED CHILD CARE CREDIT.

"(a) ALLOWANCE OF CREDIT.—For purposes of section 38, the employer-provided child care credit determined under this section for the taxable year is an amount equal to 25 percent of the qualified child care expenditures of the taxpayer for such taxable year.

"(b) DOLLAR LIMITATION.—The credit allowable under subsection (a) for any taxable year shall not exceed \$150,000.

"(c) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section—

"(1) QUALIFIED CHILD CARE EXPENDITURE.—

"(Å) IN GENERAL.—The term 'qualified child care expenditure' means any amount paid or incurred—

''(i) to acquire, construct, rehabilitate, or expand property—

 $\hat{(I)}$ (I) which is to be used as part of a qualified child care facility of the taxpayer,

"(II) with respect to which a deduction for depreciation (or amortization in lieu of depreciation) is allowable, and

"(III) which does not constitute part of the principal residence (within the meaning of section 1034) of the taxpayer or any employee of the taxpayer,

"(ii) for the operating costs of a qualified child care facility of the taxpayer, including costs related to the training of employees of the child care facility, to scholarship programs, to the providing of differential compensation to employees based on level of child care training, and to expenses associated with achieving accreditation,

"(iii) under a contract with a qualified child care facility to provide child care services to employees of the taxpayer, or

"(iv) under a contract to provide child care resource and referral services to employees of the taxpayer.

"(B) EXCLUSION FOR AMOUNTS FUNDED BY GRANTS, ETC.—The term 'qualified child care expenditure' shall not include any amount to the extent such amount is funded by any grant, contract, or otherwise by another person (or any governmental entity).

"(C) LIMITATION ON ALLOWABLE OPERATING COSTS.—The term 'qualified child care expenditure' shall not include any amount described in subparagraph (A)(ii) if such amount is paid or incurred after the third taxable year in which a credit under this section is taken by the taxpayer, unless the qualified child care facility of the taxpayer has received accreditation from a nationally recognized accrediting body before the end of such third taxable year.

"(2) QUALIFIED CHILD CARE FACILITY.—

((A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'qualified child care facility' means a facility—

"(i) the principal use of which is to provide child care assistance, and

"(ii) which meets the requirements of all applicable laws and regulations of the State or local government in which it is located, including, but not limited to, the licensing of the facility as a child care facility.

Clause (i) shall not apply to a facility which is the principal residence (within the meaning of section 1034) of the operator of the facility.

"(B) SPECIAL RULES WITH RESPECT TO A TAX-PAYER.—A facility shall not be treated as a qualified child care facility with respect to a taxpayer unless—

"(i) enrollment in the facility is open to employees of the taxpayer during the taxable year,

"(ii) the facility is not the principal trade or business of the taxpayer unless at least 30 percent of the enrollees of such facility are dependents of employees of the taxpayer, and

"(iii) the costs to employees of child care services at such facility are determined on a sliding fee scale.

"(d) RECAPTURE OF ACQUISITION AND CON-STRUCTION CREDIT.—

 $^{\prime\prime}(1)$ IN GENERAL.—If, as of the close of any taxable year, there is a recapture event with respect to any qualified child care facility of the taxpayer, then the tax of the taxpayer under this chapter for such taxable year shall be increased by an amount equal to the product of—

 $^{\prime\prime}(A)$ the applicable recapture percentage, and

"(B) the aggregate decrease in the credits allowed under section 38 for all prior taxable years which would have resulted if the qualified child care expenditures of the taxpayer described in subsection (c)(1)(A) with respect to such facility had been zero.

((2) APPLICABLE RECAPTURE PERCENTAGE.

 $``(A) \ \mbox{In GENERAL.}\--For purposes of this subsection, the applicable recapture percentage shall be determined from the following table:$

The applicable recapture "If the recapture event percentage is: occurs in: 100 Years 1-3 Year 4 85 Year 5 70 Year 6 55 Year 7 40 Year 8 25 Years 9 and 10 10 Years 11 and thereafter 0

"(B) YEARS.—For purposes of subparagraph (A), year 1 shall begin on the first day of the taxable year in which the qualified child care facility is placed in service by the taxpayer.

'.'(3) RECAPTURE EVENT DEFINED.—For purposes of this subsection, the term 'recapture event' means—

"(A) CESSATION OF OPERATION.—The cessation of the operation of the facility as a qualified child care facility.

"(B) CHANGE IN OWNERSHIP.-

"(i) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in clause (ii), the disposition of a taxpayer's interest in a qualified child care facility with respect to which the credit described in subsection (a) was allowable.

"(ii) AGREEMENT TO ASSUME RECAPTURE LI-ABILITY.—Clause (i) shall not apply if the person acquiring such interest in the facility agrees in writing to assume the recapture liability of the person disposing of such interest in effect immediately before such disposition. In the event of such an assumption, the person acquiring the interest in the facility shall be treated as the taxpayer for purposes of assessing any recapture liability (computed as if there had been no change in ownership).

"(4) SPECIAL RULES.—

"(A) TAX BENEFIT RULE.—The tax for the taxable year shall be increased under paragraph (1) only with respect to credits allowed by reason of this section which were used to reduce tax liability. In the case of credits not so used to reduce tax liability, the carryforwards and carrybacks under section 39 shall be appropriately adjusted.

"(B) NO CREDITS AGAINST TAX.—Any increase in tax under this subsection shall not be treated as a tax imposed by this chapter for purposes of determining the amount of any credit under subpart A, B, or D of this part.

"(C) NO RECAPTURE BY REASON OF CASUALTY LOSS.—The increase in tax under this subsection shall not apply to a cessation of operation of the facility as a qualified child care facility by reason of a casualty loss to the extent such loss is restored by reconstruction or replacement within a reasonable period established by the Secretary.

"(e) SPECIAL RULÉS.—For purposes of this section—

"(1) AGGREGATION RULES.—All persons which are treated as a single employer under subsections (a) and (b) of section 52 shall be treated as a single taxpayer.

"(2) PASS-THRU IN THE CASE OF ESTATES AND TRUSTS.—Under regulations prescribed by the Secretary, rules similar to the rules of subsection (d) of section 52 shall apply.

"(3) ALLOCATION IN THE CASE OF PARTNER-SHIPS.—In the case of partnerships, the credit shall be allocated among partners under regulations prescribed by the Secretary.

"(f) NO DOUBLE BENEFIT.—

 $^{\prime\prime}(I)$ REDUCTION IN BASIS.—For purposes of this subtitle—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—If a credit is determined under this section with respect to any property by reason of expenditures described in subsection (c)(1)(A), the basis of such property shall be reduced by the amount of the credit so determined.

"(B) CERTAIN DISPOSITIONS.—If during any taxable year there is a recapture amount determined with respect to any property the basis of which was reduced under subparagraph (A), the basis of such property (immediately before the event resulting in such recapture) shall be increased by an amount equal to such recapture amount. For purposes of the preceding sentence, the term 'recapture amount' means any increase in tax (or adjustment in carrybacks or carryovers) determined under subsection (d).

"(2) OTHER DEDUCTIONS AND CREDITS.—No deduction or credit shall be allowed under any other provision of this chapter with respect to the amount of the credit determined under this section.".

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(1) Section 38(b) is amended—

(A) by striking out "plus" at the end of paragraph (11),

(B) by striking out the period at the end of paragraph (12), and inserting a comma and "plus", and

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

"(13) the employer-provided child care credit determined under section 45D.".

(2) The table of sections for subpart D of part IV of subchapter A of chapter 1 is amended by adding at the end the following new item:

"Sec. 45D. Employer-provided child care credit.".

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1998.

TITLE II—EDUCATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Subtitle A—General Provisions

SEC. 201. ELIGIBLE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS PERMITTED TO MAINTAIN QUALI-FIED TUITION PROGRAMS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (1) of section 529(b) (defining qualified State tuition program) is amended by inserting "or by 1 or more eligible educational institutions" after "maintained by a State or agency or instrumentality thereof".

(b) TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.—

sections (1)The texts of 72(e)(9), 135(c)(2)(C), 135(d)(1)(D), 530. 529. and 4973(e)(1)(B) are each amended by striking 'qualified State tuition program'' each place it appears and inserting ' 'qualified tuition program''

(2) The paragraph heading for paragraph (9) of section 72(e) and the subparagraph heading for subparagraph (B) of section 530(b)(2) are each amended by striking "STATE".

(3) The subparagraph heading for subparagraph (C) of section 135(c)(2) is amended by striking "QUALIFIED STATE TUITION PROGRAM" and inserting "QUALIFIED TUITION PRO-GRAMS".

(4) Sections 529(c)(3)(D)(i) and 6693(a)(2)(C) are each amended by striking "qualified State tuition programs" and inserting "qualified tuition programs".

(5)(A) The section heading of section 529 is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 529. QUALIFIED TUITION PROGRAMS.".

(B) The item relating to section 529 in the table of sections for part VIII of subchapter F of chapter 1 is amended by striking "State".

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall take effect on January 1, 1999.

SEC. 202. INCREASE IN VOLUME CAP ON PRIVATE ACTIVITY BONDS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (d) of section 146 (relating to volume cap) is amended by striking paragraph (2), by redesignating paragraphs (3) and (4) as paragraphs (2) and (3), respectively, and by striking paragraph (1) and inserting the following new paragraph:

"(I) IN GENERAL.—The State ceiling applicable to any State for any calendar year shall be the greater of—

"(A) an amount equal to \$75 multiplied by the State population, or

"(B) \$225,000,000.

Subparagraph (B) shall not apply to any possession of the United States."

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Sections 25(f)(3) and 42(h)(3)(E)(iii) are each amended by striking ''section 146(d)(3)(C)'' and inserting ''section 146(d)(2)(C)''.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to calendar years after 1998.

Subtitle B—American Community Renewal Act of 1998

SEC. 211. SHORT TITLE.

This subtitle may be cited as the "American Community Renewal Act of 1998". SEC. 212. DESIGNATION OF AND TAX INCENTIVES

FOR RENEWAL COMMUNITIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 1 is amended by adding at the end the following new sub-chapter:

"Subchapter X—Renewal Communities

"Part I. Designation.

- "Part II. Renewal community capital gain; renewal community business.
- "Part III. Family development accounts.
- "Part IV. Additional incentives.

"PART I—DESIGNATION

"Sec. 1400E. Designation of renewal communities.

"SEC. 1400E. DESIGNATION OF RENEWAL COMMU-NITIES.

'(a) DESIGNATION.-

 $^{\prime\prime}$ (1) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this title, the term 'renewal community' means any area—

"(A) which is nominated by one or more local governments and the State or States in which it is located for designation as a renewal community (hereinafter in this section referred to as a 'nominated area'), and

"(B) which the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development designates as a renewal community, after consultation with—

"(i) the Secretaries of Agriculture, Commerce, Labor, and the Treasury; the Director of the Office of Management and Budget; and the Administrator of the Small Business Administration, and

"(ii) in the case of an area on an Indian reservation, the Secretary of the Interior. "(2) NUMBER OF DESIGNATIONS.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development may designate

not more than 20 nominated areas as renewal communities. ((B) MINIMUM DESIGNATION IN RURAL

AREAS.—Of the areas designated under paragraph (1), at least 4 must be areas—

"(i) which are within a local government jurisdiction or jurisdictions with a population of less than 50,000,

''(ii) which are outside of a metropolitan statistical area (within the meaning of section 143(k)(2)(B)), or

"(iii) which are determined by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, after consultation with the Secretary of Commerce, to be rural areas.

"(3) AREAS DESIGNATED BASED ON DEGREE OF POVERTY, ETC.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise provided in this section, the nominated areas designated as renewal communities under this subsection shall be those nominated areas with the highest average ranking with respect to the criteria described in subparagraphs (B), (C), and (D) of subsection (c)(3). For purposes of the preceding sentence, an area shall be ranked within each such criterion on the basis of the amount by which the area exceeds such criterion, with the area which exceeds such criterion by the greatest amount given the highest ranking.

"(B) EXCEPTION WHERE INADEQUATE COURSE OF ACTION, ETC.—An area shall not be designated under subparagraph (A) if the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development determines that the course of action described in subsection (d)(2) with respect to such area is inadequate.

"(C) PRIORITY FOR EMPOWERMENT ZONES AND ENTERPRISE COMMUNITIES WITH RESPECT TO FIRST HALF OF DESIGNATIONS.—With respect to the first 10 designations made under this section—

"(i) 10 shall be chosen from nominated areas which are empowerment zones or enterprise communities (and are otherwise eligible for designation under this section), and "(ii) of such 10, 2 shall be areas described in

paragraph (2)(B). ''(4) LIMITATION ON DESIGNATIONS.-

"(A) PUBLICATION OF RECULATIONS.—The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall prescribe by regulation no later than 4 months after the date of the enactment of this section, after consultation with the officials described in paragraph (1)(B)—

"(i) the procedures for nominating an area under paragraph (1)(A),

"(ii) the parameters relating to the size and population characteristics of a renewal community, and $``(\mathrm{iii})$ the manner in which nominated areas will be evaluated based on the criteria specified in subsection (d).

"(B) TIME LIMITATIONS.—The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development may designate nominated areas as renewal communities only during the 24-month period beginning on the first day of the first month following the month in which the regulations described in subparagraph (A) are prescribed.

"(C) PROCEDURAL RULES.—The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall not make any designation of a nominated area as a renewal community under paragraph (2) unless—

 $^{\prime\prime}(i)$ the local governments and the States in which the nominated area is located have the authority—

 $\ensuremath{^{\prime\prime}}(I)$ to nominate such area for designation as a renewal community,

 $^{\prime\prime}(\mathrm{II})$ to make the State and local commitments described in subsection (d), and

"(III) to provide assurances satisfactory to the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development that such commitments will be fulfilled,

"(ii) a nomination regarding such area is submitted in such a manner and in such form, and contains such information, as the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall by regulation prescribe, and

"(iii) the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development determines that any information furnished is reasonably accurate.

"(5) NOMINATION PROCESS FOR INDIAN RES-ERVATIONS.—For purposes of this subchapter, in the case of a nominated area on an Indian reservation, the reservation governing body (as determined by the Secretary of the Interior) shall be treated as being both the State and local governments with respect to such area.

(b) PERIOD FOR WHICH DESIGNATION IS IN EFFECT.—

 $^{\prime\prime}(1)$ IN GENERAL.—Any designation of an area as a renewal community shall remain in effect during the period beginning on the date of the designation and ending on the earliest of—

'(A) December 31, 2006,

"(B) the termination date designated by the State and local governments in their nomination, or

"(C) the date the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development revokes such designation.

"(2) REVOCATION OF DESIGNATION.—The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development may revoke the designation under this section of an area if such Secretary determines that the local government or the State in which the area is located—

 $^{\prime\prime}(A)$ has modified the boundaries of the area, or

"(B) is not complying substantially with, or fails to make progress in achieving, the State or local commitments, respectively, described in subsection (d).

"(c) AREA AND ELIGIBILITY REQUIRE-MENTS.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development may designate a nominated area as a renewal community under subsection (a) only if the area meets the requirements of paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection.

 $^{\prime\prime}(2)$ AREA REQUIREMENTS.—A nominated area meets the requirements of this paragraph if—

"(A) the area is within the jurisdiction of one or more local governments,

 $^{\prime\prime}(B)$ the boundary of the area is continuous, and

"(C) the area—

"(i) has a population, of at least—

"(I) 4,000 if any portion of such area (other than a rural area described in subsection (a)(2)(B)(i)) is located within a metropolitan

statistical area (within the meaning of section 143(k)(2)(B)) which has a population of 50,000 or greater, or

"(II) 1,000 in any other case, or

"(ii) is entirely within an Indian reservation (as determined by the Secretary of the Interior).

"(3) ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS.—A nominated area meets the requirements of this paragraph if the State and the local governments in which it is located certify (and the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, after such review of supporting data as he deems appropriate, accepts such certification) that—

"(A) the area is one of pervasive poverty, unemployment, and general distress,

"(B) the unemployment rate in the area, as determined by the most recent available data, was at least $1\frac{1}{2}$ times the national unemployment rate for the period to which such data relate,

"(C) the poverty rate for each population census tract within the nominated area is at least 20 percent, and

"(D) in the case of an urban area, at least 70 percent of the households living in the area have incomes below 80 percent of the median income of households within the jurisdiction of the local government (determined in the same manner as under section 119(b)(2) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974).

"(4) CONSIDERATION OF HIGH INCIDENCE OF CRIME.—The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall take into account, in selecting nominated areas for designation as renewal communities under this section, the extent to which such areas have a high incidence of crime.

"(5) CONSIDERATION OF COMMUNITIES IDENTI-FIED IN GAO STUDY.—The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall take into account, in selecting nominated areas for designation as renewal communities under this section, if the area has census tracts identified in the May 12, 1998, report of the Government Accounting Office regarding the identification of economically distressed areas.

 $^{\prime\prime}(d)$ Required State and Local Commitments.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development may designate any nominated area as a renewal community under subsection (a) only if—

"(A) the local government and the State in which the area is located agree in writing that, during any period during which the area is a renewal community, such governments will follow a specified course of action which meets the requirements of paragraph (2) and is designed to reduce the various burdens borne by employers or employees in such area, and

 $^{\prime\prime}(B)$ the economic growth promotion requirements of paragraph (3) are met.

"(2) COURSE OF ACTION.—

"(Å) IN GENERAL.—A course of action meets the requirements of this paragraph if such course of action is a written document, signed by a State (or local government) and neighborhood organizations, which evidences a partnership between such State or government and community-based organizations and which commits each signatory to specific and measurable goals, actions, and timetables. Such course of action shall include at least five of the following:

"(i) A reduction of tax rates or fees applying within the renewal community.

"(ii) An increase in the level of efficiency of local services within the renewal community.

"(iii) Crime reduction strategies, such as crime prevention (including the provision of such services by nongovernmental entities). "(iv) Actions to reduce, remove, simplify, or streamline governmental requirements applying within the renewal community.

"(v) Involvement in the program by private entities, organizations, neighborhood organizations, and community groups, particularly those in the renewal community, including a commitment from such private entities to provide jobs and job training for, and technical, financial, or other assistance to, employers, employees, and residents from the renewal community.

"(vi) State or local income tax benefits for fees paid for services performed by a nongovernmental entity which were formerly performed by a governmental entity.

"(vii) The gift (or sale at below fair market value) of surplus real property (such as land, homes, and commercial or industrial structures) in the renewal community to neighborhood organizations, community development corporations, or private companies.

"(B) RECOGNITION OF PAST EFFORTS.—For purposes of this section, in evaluating the course of action agreed to by any State or local government, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall take into account the past efforts of such State or local government in reducing the various burdens borne by employers and employees in the area involved.

"(3) ECONOMIC GROWTH PROMOTION REQUIRE-MENTS.—The economic growth promotion requirements of this paragraph are met with respect to a nominated area if the local government and the State in which such area is located certify in writing that such government and State, respectively, have repealed or otherwise will not enforce within the area, if such area is designated as a renewal community—

"(A) licensing requirements for occupations that do not ordinarily require a professional degree,

"(B) zoning restrictions on home-based businesses which do not create a public nuisance,

"(C) permit requirements for street vendors who do not create a public nuisance,

"(D) zoning or other restrictions that impede the formation of schools or child care centers, and

"(E) franchises or other restrictions on competition for businesses providing public services, including but not limited to taxicabs, jitneys, cable television, or trash hauling,

except to the extent that such regulation of businesses and occupations is necessary for and well-tailored to the protection of health and safety.

''(e) COORDINATION WITH TREATMENT OF EMPOWERMENT ZONES AND ENTERPRISE COMMUNITIES.—For purposes of this title, if there are in effect with respect to the same area both—

 $^{\prime\prime}(1)$ a designation as a renewal community, and

''(2) a designation as an empowerment zone or enterprise community,

both of such designations shall be given full effect with respect to such area.

"(f) DEFINITIONS AND SPECIAL RULES.—For purposes of this subchapter—

"(1) GOVERNMENTS.—If more than one government seeks to nominate an area as a renewal community, any reference to, or requirement of, this section shall apply to all such governments.

"(2) STATE.—The term 'State' includes Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands of the United States, Guam, American Samoa, the Northern Mariana Islands, and any other possession of the United States.

''(3) LOCAL GOVERNMENT.—The term 'local government' means—

"(A) any county, city, town, township, parish, village, or other general purpose political subdivision of a State,

"(B) any combination of political subdivisions described in subparagraph (A) recognized by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and

"(C) the District of Columbia.

"(4) APPLICATION OF RULES RELATING TO CENSUS TRACTS AND CENSUS DATA.—The rules of sections 1392(b)(4) and 1393(a)(9) shall apply.

"PART II—RENEWAL COMMUNITY CAP-ITAL GAIN; RENEWAL COMMUNITY BUSI-NESS

"Sec. 1400F. Renewal community capital gain.

"Sec. 1400G. Renewal community business defined.

"SEC. 1400F. RENEWAL COMMUNITY CAPITAL GAIN.

"(a) GENERAL RULE.—Gross income does not include any qualified capital gain recognized on the sale or exchange of a qualified community asset held for more than 5 years.

 $^{\prime\prime}(b)$ QUALIFIED COMMUNITY ASSET.—For purposes of this section—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The term 'qualified community asset' means—

"(A) any qualified community stock,

"(B) any qualified community partnership interest, and

 $\ensuremath{^{\prime\prime}C}\xspace$) any qualified community business property.

(2) QUALIFIED COMMUNITY STOCK.-

"(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subparagraph (B), the term 'qualified community stock' means any stock in a domestic corporation if—

"(i) such stock is acquired by the taxpayer after December 31, 1999, and before January 1, 2007, at its original issue (directly or through an underwriter) from the corporation solely in exchange for cash,

"(ii) as of the time such stock was issued, such corporation was a renewal community business (or, in the case of a new corporation, such corporation was being organized for purposes of being a renewal community business). and

"(iii) during substantially all of the taxpayer's holding period for such stock, such corporation qualified as a renewal community business.

"(B) REDEMPTIONS.—A rule similar to the rule of section 1202(c)(3) shall apply for purposes of this paragraph.

''(3) QUALIFIED COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP INTEREST.—The term 'qualified community partnership interest' means any interest in a partnership if—

"(A) such interest is acquired by the taxpayer after December 31, 1999, and before January 1, 2007,

"(B) as of the time such interest was acquired, such partnership was a renewal community business (or, in the case of a new partnership, such partnership was being organized for purposes of being a renewal community business), and

"(C) during substantially all of the taxpayer's holding period for such interest, such partnership qualified as a renewal community business.

A rule similar to the rule of paragraph (2)(B) shall apply for purposes of this paragraph.

"(4) QUALIFIED COMMUNITY BUSINESS PROP-ERTY.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'qualified community business property' means tangible property if—

"(i) such property was acquired by the taxpayer by purchase (as defined in section 179(d)(2)) after December 31, 1999, and before January 1, 2007,

"(ii) the original use of such property in the renewal community commences with the taxpayer, and

(iii) during substantially all of the taxpayer's holding period for such property, substantially all of the use of such property was in a renewal community business of the taxpaver.

(B) SPECIAL RULE FOR SUBSTANTIAL IM-PROVEMENTS.—The requirements of clauses (i) and (ii) of subparagraph (A) shall be treated as satisfied with respect to-

''(i) property which is substantially improved (within the meaning of section 1400B(b)(4)(B)(ii)) by the taxpayer before January 1, 2007, and

(ii) any land on which such property is located.

'(c) CERTAIN RULES TO APPLY.-Rules similar to the rules of paragraphs (5), (6), and (7) of subsection (b), and subsections (e), (f), and (g), of section 1400B shall apply for purposes of this section.

"SEC. 1400G. RENEWAL COMMUNITY BUSINESS DEFINED

"For purposes of this part, the term 'renewal community business' means any entity or proprietorship which would be a qualified business entity or qualified proprietorship under section 1397B if

(1) references to renewal communities were substituted for references to empowerment zones in such section; and

'(2) '80 percent' were substituted for '50 percent' in subsections (b)(2) and (c)(1) of such section.

"PART III-FAMILY DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNTS

- "Sec. 1400H. Family development accounts for renewal community EITC recipients.
- "Sec. 1400I. Demonstration program to provide matching contributions to family development accounts in certain renewal communities.
- "Sec. 1400J. Designation of earned income tax credit payments for deposit to family development account.

"SEC. 1400H. FAMILY DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNTS FOR RENEWAL COMMUNITY EITC RECIPIENTS.

"(a) ALLOWANCE OF DEDUCTION.-

"(1) IN GENERAL.—There shall be allowed as a deduction-

'(A) in the case of a qualified individual, the amount paid in cash for the taxable year by such individual to any family development account for such individual's benefit, and

"(B) in the case of any person other than a qualified individual, the amount paid in cash for the taxable year by such person to any family development account for the benefit of a qualified individual but only if the amount so paid is designated for purposes of this section by such individual.

No deduction shall be allowed under this paragraph for any amount deposited in a family development account under section 1400I (relating to demonstration program to provide matching amounts in renewal communities).

(2) LIMITATION.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—The amount allowable as a deduction to any individual for any taxable year by reason of paragraph (1)(A) shall not exceed the lesser of-

'(i) \$2,000, or

"(ii) an amount equal to the compensation includible in the individual's gross income for such taxable year.

(B) PERSONS DONATING TO FAMILY DEVEL-OPMENT ACCOUNTS OF OTHERS.-The amount which may be designated under paragraph (1)(B) by any qualified individual for any taxable year of such individual shall not exceed \$1,000.

"(3) SPECIAL RULES FOR CERTAIN MARRIED INDIVIDUALS .- Rules similar to rules of section 219(c) shall apply to the limitation in paragraph (2)(A).

"(4) COORDINATION WITH IRA'S.-No deduction shall be allowed under this section to any person by reason of a payment to an account for the benefit of a qualified individual if any amount is paid into an individual retirement account (including a Roth IRA) for the benefit of such individual.

(5) ROLLOVERS.-No deduction shall be allowed under this section with respect to any rollover contribution.

(b) TAX TREATMENT OF DISTRIBUTIONS.—

"(1) INCLUSION OF AMOUNTS IN GROSS IN-COME.—Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, any amount paid or distributed out of a family development account shall be included in gross income by the payee or distributee, as the case may be.

(2) EXCLUSION OF QUALIFIED FAMILY DEVEL-OPMENT DISTRIBUTIONS.—Paragraph (1) shall not apply to any qualified family development distribution.

"(c) QUALIFIED FAMILY DEVELOPMENT DIS-TRIBUTION.-For purposes of this section-

(1) IN GENERAL. The term 'qualified familv development distribution' means any amount paid or distributed out of a family development account which would otherwise be includible in gross income, to the extent that such payment or distribution is used exclusively to pay qualified family development expenses for the holder of the account or the spouse or dependent (as defined in section 152) of such holder.

(2) QUALIFIED FAMILY DEVELOPMENT EX-PENSES.—The term 'qualified family development expenses' means any of the following:

(A) Qualified higher education expenses.

"(B) Qualified first-time homebuyer costs. ''(C) Qualified business capitalization costs.

"(D) Qualified medical expenses.

"(E) Qualified rollovers.

"(3) QUALIFIED HIGHER EDUCATION EX-PENSES.

"(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'qualified higher education expenses' has the meaning given such term by section 72(t)(7), determined by treating postsecondary vocational educational schools as eligible educational institutions.

POSTSECONDARY VOCATIONAL '(B) EDU-CATION SCHOOL.-The term 'postsecondary vocational educational school' means an area vocational education school (as defined in subparagraph (C) or (D) of section 521(4) of the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act (20 U.S.C. 2471(4))) which is in any State (as defined in section 521(33) of such Act), as such sections are in effect on the date of the enactment of this section

(C) COORDINATION WITH OTHER BENEFITS.— The amount of qualified higher education expenses for any taxable year shall be reduced as provided in section 25A(g)(2).

(4) QUALIFIED FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYER COSTS.—The term 'qualified first-time homebuyer costs' means qualified acquisition costs (as defined in section 72(t)(8) without regard to subparagraph (B) thereof) with respect to a principal residence (within the meaning of section 121) for a qualified firsttime homebuyer (as defined in such section).

"(5) QUALIFIED BUSINESS CAPITALIZATION COSTS.

"(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'qualified business capitalization costs' means qualified expenditures for the capitalization of a qualified business pursuant to a qualified plan.

"(B) QUALIFIED EXPENDITURES.—The term 'qualified expenditures' means expenditures included in a qualified plan, including capital, plant, equipment, working capital, and inventory expenses.

(C) QUALIFIED BUSINESS.—The term 'qualified business' means any business that does not contravene any law.

"(D) QUALIFIED PLAN.—The term 'qualified plan' means a business plan which meets such requirements as the Secretary may specify.

(6) QUALIFIED MEDICAL EXPENSES.-The term 'qualified medical expenses' means any amount paid during the taxable year, not compensated for by insurance or otherwise, for medical care (as defined in section 213(d)) of the taxpayer, his spouse, or his dependent (as defined in section 152).

QUALIFIED ROLLOVERS.—The term ⁽⁷⁾ 'qualified rollover' means any amount paid from a family development account of a taxpayer into another such account established for the benefit of-

'(A) such taxpayer, or

"(B) any qualified individual who is—

"(i) the spouse of such taxpayer, or

"(ii) any dependent (as defined in section 152) of the taxpayer.

Rules similar to the rules of section 408(d)(3)shall apply for purposes of this paragraph.

(d) TAX TREATMENT OF ACCOUNTS.

"(1) IN GENERAL.—Any family development account is exempt from taxation under this subtitle unless such account has ceased to be a family development account by reason of paragraph (2). Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, any such account is subject to the taxes imposed by section 511 (relating to imposition of tax on unrelated business income of charitable, etc., organizations). Notwithstanding any other provision of this title (including chapters 11 and 12), the basis of any person in such an account is zero.

(2) Loss of exemption in case of prohib-ITED TRANSACTIONS.—For purposes of this section, rules similar to the rules of section 408(e) shall apply.

"(3) OTHER RULES TO APPLY.—Rules similar to the rules of paragraphs (4), (5), and (6) of section 408(d) shall apply for purposes of this section.

(e) FAMILY DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT.-For purposes of this title, the term 'family development account' means a trust created or organized in the United States for the exclusive benefit of a qualified individual or his beneficiaries, but only if the written governing instrument creating the trust meets the following requirements:

"(1) Except in the case of a qualified rollover (as defined in subsection (c)(7))-

"(A) no contribution will be accepted unless it is in cash. and

"(B) contributions will not be accepted for the taxable year in excess of \$3,000 (determined without regard to any contribution made under section 1400I (relating to demonstration program to provide matching amounts in renewal communities))

(2) The requirements of paragraphs (2) through (6) of section 408(a) are met.

QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL.—For purposes '(f) of this section, the term 'qualified individual' means, for any taxable year, an individual-

"(1) who is a bona fide resident of a renewal community throughout the taxable year, and

"(2) to whom a credit was allowed under section 32 for the preceding taxable year. ''(g) OTHER DEFINITIONS AND SPE

SPECIAL RULES.

"(1) COMPENSATION.—The term 'compensation' has the meaning given such term by section 219(f)(1).

"(2) MARRIED INDIVIDUALS.—The maximum deduction under subsection (a) shall be computed separately for each individual, and this section shall be applied without regard to any community property laws.

"(3) TIME WHEN CONTRIBUTIONS DEEMED MADE.—For purposes of this section, a taxpayer shall be deemed to have made a contribution to a family development account on the last day of the preceding taxable year if the contribution is made on account of such taxable year and is made not later than the time prescribed by law for filing the return for such taxable year (not including extensions thereof).

"(4) EMPLOYER PAYMENTS; CUSTODIAL AC-COUNTS.—Rules similar to the rules of sections 219(f)(5) and 408(h) shall apply for purposes of this section.

"(5) REPORTS.—The trustee of a family development account shall make such reports regarding such account to the Secretary and to the individual for whom the account is maintained with respect to contributions (and the years to which they relate), distributions, and such other matters as the Secretary may require under regulations. The reports required by this paragraph—

"(A) shall be filed at such time and in such manner as the Secretary prescribes in such regulations, and

(B) shall be furnished to individuals—

"(i) not later than January 31 of the calendar year following the calendar year to which such reports relate, and

"(ii) in such manner as the Secretary prescribes in such regulations.

"(6) INVESTMENT IN COLLECTIBLES TREATED AS DISTRIBUTIONS.—Rules similar to the rules of section 408(m) shall apply for purposes of this section.

"(h) PENALTY FOR DISTRIBUTIONS NOT USED FOR QUALIFIED FAMILY DEVELOPMENT EX-PENSES.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—If any amount is distributed from a family development account and is not used exclusively to pay qualified family development expenses for the holder of the account or the spouse or dependent (as defined in section 152) of such holder, the tax imposed by this chapter for the taxable year of such distribution shall be increased by the sum of—

"(A) 100 percent of the portion of such amount which is includible in gross income and is attributable to amounts contributed under section 1400I (relating to demonstration program to provide matching amounts in renewal communities), and

"(B) 10 percent of the portion of such amount which is includible in gross income and is not described in subparagraph (A).

For purposes of this subsection, distributions which are includable in gross income shall be treated as attributable to amounts contributed under section 1400I to the extent thereof. For purposes of the preceding sentence, all family development accounts of an individual shall be treated as one account.

"(2) EXCEPTION FOR CERTAIN DISTRIBU-TIONS.—Paragraph (1) shall not apply to distributions which are—

''(A) made on or after the date on which the account holder attains age $59^{\rm 1/\!\!2},$

 $^{\prime\prime}(B)$ made to a beneficiary (or the estate of the account holder) on or after the death of the account holder, or

 $^{\prime\prime}(C)$ attributable to the account holder's being disabled within the meaning of section 72(m)(7).

"(i) TERMINATION.—No deduction shall be allowed under this section for any amount paid to a family development account for any taxable year beginning after December 31, 2006.

"SEC. 1400I. DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM TO PRO-VIDE MATCHING CONTRIBUTIONS TO FAMILY DEVELOPMENT AC-COUNTS IN CERTAIN RENEWAL COM-MUNITIES.

"(a) DESIGNATION .-

"(1) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section, the term 'FDA matching demonstration area' means any renewal community—

"(A) which is nominated under this section by each of the local governments and States which nominated such community for designation as a renewal community under section 1400E(a)(1)(A), and

"(B) which the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development designates as an FDA matching demonstration area after consultation with—

"(i) the Secretaries of Agriculture, Commerce, Labor, and the Treasury, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, and the Administrator of the Small Business Administration, and

 $^{\prime\prime}(ii)$ in the case of a community on an Indian reservation, the Secretary of the Interior.

"(2) NUMBER OF DESIGNATIONS.-

"(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development may designate not more than 5 communities as FDA matching demonstration areas.

 $^{\prime\prime}(B)$ MINIMUM DESIGNATION IN RURAL AREAS.—Of the areas designated under sub-paragraph (A), at least 2 must be areas described in section 1400E(a)(2)(B).

(3) LIMITATIONS ON DESIGNATIONS.—

"(A) PUBLICATION OF REGULATIONS.—The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall prescribe by regulation no later than 4 months after the date of the enactment of this section, after consultation with the officials described in paragraph (1)(B)—

"(i) the procedures for nominating a renewal community under paragraph (1)(A) (including procedures for coordinating such nomination with the nomination of an area for designation as a renewal community under section 1400E), and

"(ii) the manner in which nominated renewal communities will be evaluated for purposes of this section.

"(B) TIME LIMITATIONS.—The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development may designate renewal communities as FDA matching demonstration areas only during the 24month period beginning on the first day of the first month following the month in which the regulations described in subparagraph (A) are prescribed.

"(4) DESIGNATION BASED ON DEGREE OF POV-ERTY, ETC.—The rules of section 1400E(a)(3) shall apply for purposes of designations of FDA matching demonstration areas under this section.

"(b) PERIOD FOR WHICH DESIGNATION IS IN EFFECT.—Any designation of a renewal community as an FDA matching demonstration area shall remain in effect during the period beginning on the date of such designation and ending on the date on which such area ceases to be a renewal community.

"(c) MATCHING CONTRIBUTIONS TO FAMILY DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNTS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Not less than once each taxable year, the Secretary shall deposit (to the extent provided in appropriation Acts) into a family development account of each qualified individual (as defined in section 1400H(f))—

"(A) who is a resident throughout the taxable year of an FDA matching demonstration area, and

"(B) who requests (in such form and manner as the Secretary prescribes) such deposit for the taxable year,

an amount equal to the sum of the amounts deposited into all of the family development accounts of such individual during such taxable year (determined without regard to any amount contributed under this section).

"(2) LIMITATIONS.—

"(A) ANNUAL LIMIT.—The Secretary shall not deposit more than \$1000 under paragraph (1) with respect to any individual for any taxable year.

"(B) AGGREGATE LIMIT.—The Secretary shall not deposit more than \$2000 under paragraph (1) with respect to any individual for all taxable years.

"(3) EXCLUSION FROM INCOME.—Except as provided in section 1400H, gross income shall not include any amount deposited into a family development account under paragraph (1).

"(d) NOTICE OF PROGRAM.—The Secretary shall provide appropriate notice to residents of FDA matching demonstration areas of the availability of the benefits under this section.

"(e) TERMINATION.—No amount may be deposited under this section for any taxable year beginning after December 31, 2006.

SEC. 1400J. DESIGNATION OF EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT PAYMENTS FOR DE-POSIT TO FAMILY DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT.

"(a) IN GENERAL.—With respect to the return of any qualified individual (as defined in section 1400H(f)) for the taxable year of the tax imposed by this chapter, such individual may designate that a specified portion (not less than \$1) of any overpayment of tax for such taxable year which is attributable to the earned income tax credit shall be deposited by the Secretary into a family development account of such individual. The Secretary shall so deposit such portion designated under this subsection.

"(b) MANNER AND TIME OF DESIGNATION.—A designation under subsection (a) may be made with respect to any taxable year—

"(1) at the time of filing the return of the tax imposed by this chapter for such taxable year, or

"(2) at any other time (after the time of filing the return of the tax imposed by this chapter for such taxable year) specified in regulations prescribed by the Secretary.

Such designation shall be made in such manner as the Secretary prescribes by regulations.

"(c) PORTION ATTRIBUTABLE TO EARNED IN-COME TAX CREDIT.—For purposes of subsection (a), an overpayment for any taxable year shall be treated as attributable to the earned income tax credit to the extent that such overpayment does not exceed the credit allowed to the taxpayer under section 32 for such taxable year.

"(d) OVERPAYMENTS TREATED AS RE-FUNDED.—For purposes of this title, any portion of an overpayment of tax designated under subsection (a) shall be treated as being refunded to the taxpayer as of the last date prescribed for filing the return of tax imposed by this chapter (determined without regard to extensions) or, if later, the date the return is filed.

"(e) TERMINATION.—This section shall not apply to any taxable year beginning after December 31, 2006.

"PART IV-ADDITIONAL INCENTIVES

"Sec. 1400K. Commercial revitalization credit.

"Sec. 1400L. Increase in expensing under section 179.

"SEC. 1400K. COMMERCIAL REVITALIZATION CREDIT.

"(a) GENERAL RULE.—For purposes of section 46, except as provided in subsection (e), the commercial revitalization credit for any taxable year is an amount equal to the applicable percentage of the qualified revitalization expenditures with respect to any qualified revitalization building.

"(b) APPLICABLE PERCENTAGE.—For purposes of this section—

' ''(1) IN GENERAL.—The term 'applicable percentage' means—

"(A) 20 percent for the taxable year in which a qualified revitalization building is placed in service, or

"(B) at the election of the taxpayer, 5 percent for each taxable year in the credit period.

The election under subparagraph (B), once made, shall be irrevocable.

"(2) CREDIT PERIOD.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'credit period' means, with respect to any building, the period of 10 taxable years beginning with the taxable year in which the building is placed in service.

"(B) APPLICABLE RULES.—Rules similar to the rules under paragraphs (2) and (4) of section 42(f) shall apply.

"(c) QUALIFIED REVITALIZATION BUILDINGS AND EXPENDITURES.—For purposes of this section—

 $^{\prime\prime}(1)$ QUALIFIED REVITALIZATION BUILDING.— The term 'qualified revitalization building' means any building (and its structural components) if—

"(A) such building is located in a renewal community and is placed in service after December 31, 1999,

"(B) a commercial revitalization credit amount is allocated to the building under subsection (e), and

 $^{\prime\prime}(C)$ depreciation (or amortization in lieu of depreciation) is allowable with respect to the building.

"(2) QUALIFIED REVITALIZATION EXPENDI-TURE.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'qualified revitalization expenditure' means any amount properly chargeable to capital account—

"(i) for property for which depreciation is allowable under section 168 and which is—

"(I) nonresidential real property, or

"(II) an addition or improvement to property described in subclause (I), and

"(ii) in connection with the construction of any qualified revitalization building which was not previously placed in service or in connection with the substantial rehabilitation (within the meaning of section 47(c)(1)(C)) of a building which was placed in service before the beginning of such rehabilitation.

"(B) DOLLAR LIMITATION.—The aggregate amount which may be treated as qualified revitalization expenditures with respect to any qualified revitalization building for any taxable year shall not exceed the excess of—

"(i) \$10,000,000, reduced by

"(ii) any such expenditures with respect to the building taken into account by the taxpayer or any predecessor in determining the amount of the credit under this section for all preceding taxable years.

''(C) CERTAIN EXPENDITURES NOT IN-CLUDED.—The term 'qualified revitalization expenditure' does not include—

^h(i) STRAIGHT LINE DEPRECIATION MUST BE USED.—Any expenditure (other than with respect to land acquisitions) with respect to which the taxpayer does not use the straight line method over a recovery period determined under subsection (c) or (g) of section 168. The preceding sentence shall not apply to any expenditure to the extent the alternative depreciation system of section 168(g) applies to such expenditure by reason of subparagraph (B) or (C) of section 168(g)(1).

"(ii) ACQUISITION COSTS.—The costs of acquiring any building or interest therein and any land in connection with such building to the extent that such costs exceed 30 percent of the qualified revitalization expenditures determined without regard to this clause.

"(iii) OTHER CREDITS.—Any expenditure which the taxpayer may take into account in computing any other credit allowable under this title unless the taxpayer elects to take the expenditure into account only for purposes of this section.

"(d) When Expenditures Taken Into Account.— "(1) IN GENERAL.—Qualified revitalization expenditures with respect to any qualified revitalization building shall be taken into account for the taxable year in which the qualified revitalization building is placed in service. For purposes of the preceding sentence, a substantial rehabilitation of a building shall be treated as a separate building.

"(2) PROGRESS EXPENDITURE PAYMENTS.— Rules similar to the rules of subsections (b)(2) and (d) of section 47 shall apply for purposes of this section.

"(e) LIMITATION ON AGGREGATE CREDITS AL-LOWABLE WITH RESPECT TO BUILDINGS LO-CATED IN A STATE.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—The amount of the credit determined under this section for any taxable year with respect to any building shall not exceed the commercial revitalization credit amount (in the case of an amount determined under subsection (b)(1)(B), the present value of such amount as determined under the rules of section 42(b)(2)(C)) allocated to such building under this subsection by the commercial revitalization credit agency. Such allocation shall be made at the same time and in the same manner as under paragraphs (1) and (7) of section 42(h).

"(2) COMMERCIAL REVITALIZATION CREDIT AMOUNT FOR AGENCIES.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—The aggregate commercial revitalization credit amount which a commercial revitalization credit agency may allocate for any calendar year is the amount of the State commercial revitalization credit ceiling determined under this paragraph for such calendar year for such agency.

"(B) STATE COMMERCIAL REVITALIZATION CREDIT CEILING.—The State commercial revitalization credit ceiling applicable to any State—

``(i) for each calendar year after 1999 and before 2007 is \$2,000,000 for each renewal community in the State, and

"(ii) zero for each calendar year thereafter.

"(C) COMMERCIAL REVITALIZATION CREDIT AGENCY.—For purposes of this section, the term 'commercial revitalization credit agency' means any agency authorized by a State to carry out this section.

"(f) RESPONSIBILITIES OF COMMERCIAL REVI-TALIZATION CREDIT AGENCIES.—

"(1) PLANS FOR ALLOCATION.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the commercial revitalization credit amount with respect to any building shall be zero unless—

"(A) such amount was allocated pursuant to a qualified allocation plan of the commercial revitalization credit agency which is approved (in accordance with rules similar to the rules of section 147(f)(2) (other than subparagraph (B)(ii) thereof)) by the governmental unit of which such agency is a part, and

"(B) such agency notifies the chief executive officer (or its equivalent) of the local jurisdiction within which the building is located of such allocation and provides such individual a reasonable opportunity to comment on the allocation.

"(2) QUALIFIED ALLOCATION PLAN.—For purposes of this subsection, the term 'qualified allocation plan' means any plan—

"(A) which sets forth selection criteria to be used to determine priorities of the commercial revitalization credit agency which are appropriate to local conditions,

''(B) which considers—

"(i) the degree to which a project contributes to the implementation of a strategic plan that is devised for a renewal community through a citizen participation process,

"(ii) the amount of any increase in permanent, full-time employment by reason of any project, and $``({\rm iii})$ the active involvement of residents and nonprofit groups within the renewal community, and

"(C) which provides a procedure that the agency (or its agent) will follow in monitoring compliance with this section.

^{$m m}}(g) TERMINATION.—This section shall not apply to any building placed in service after December 31, 2006.</sup>$

"SEC. 1400L. INCREASE IN EXPENSING UNDER SECTION 179.

"(a) GENERAL RULE.—In the case of a renewal community business (as defined in section 1400G), for purposes of section 179—

"(1) the limitation under section 179(b)(1) shall be increased by the lesser of—

''(A) \$35,000, or

"(B) the cost of section 179 property which is qualified renewal property placed in service during the taxable year, and

"(2) the amount taken into account under section 179(b)(2) with respect to any section 179 property which is qualified renewal property shall be 50 percent of the cost thereof.

"(b) RECAPTURE.—Rules similar to the rules under section 179(d)(10) shall apply with respect to any qualified renewal property which ceases to be used in a renewal community by a renewal community business. "(c) QUALIFIED RENEWAL PROPERTY.—For

"(c) QUALIFIED RENEWAL PROPERTY.—For purposes of this section—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The term 'qualified renewal property' means any property to which section 168 applies (or would apply but for section 179) if—

"(A) such property was acquired by the taxpayer by purchase (as defined in section 179(d)(2)) after December 31, 1999, and before January 1, 2007, and

"(B) such property would be qualified zone property (as defined in section 1397C) if references to renewal communities were substituted for references to empowerment zones in section 1397C.

 $^{\prime\prime}(2)$ CERTAIN RULES TO APPLY.—The rules of subsections (a)(2) and (b) of section 1397C shall apply for purposes of this section.''

SEC. 213. EXTENSION OF EXPENSING OF ENVI-RONMENTAL REMEDIATION COSTS TO RENEWAL COMMUNITIES.

(a) EXTENSION.—Paragraph (2) of section 198(c) (defining targeted area) is amended by redesignating subparagraph (C) as subparagraph (D) and by inserting after subparagraph (B) the following new subparagraph:

"(C) RENEWAL COMMUNITIES INCLUDED.—Except as provided in subparagraph (B), such term shall include a renewal community (as defined in section 1400E)."

(b) EXTENSION OF TERMINATION DATE FOR RENEWAL COMMUNITIES.—Subsection (h) of section 198 is amended by inserting before the period "(December 31, 2006, in the case of a renewal community, as defined in section 1400E)."

SEC. 214. EXTENSION OF WORK OPPORTUNITY TAX CREDIT FOR RENEWAL COMMU-NITIES

(a) EXTENSION.—Subsection (c) of section 51 (relating to termination) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph: ''(5) EXTENSION OF CREDIT FOR RENEWAL COMMUNITIES —

 $^{\prime\prime}(A)$ IN GENERAL.—In the case of an individual who begins work for the employer after the date contained in paragraph (4)(B), for purposes of section 38—

 $^{\prime\prime}(i)$ in lieu of applying subsection (a), the amount of the work opportunity credit determined under this section for the taxable year shall be equal to—

"(I) 15 percent of the qualified first-year wages for such year, and

"(II) 30 percent of the qualified second-year wages for such year,

''(ii) subsection (b)(3) shall be applied by substituting '\$10,000' for '\$6,000',

 $``(iii)\ paragraph\ (4)(B)\ shall be applied by substituting for the date contained therein$

the last day for which the designation under section 1400E of the renewal community referred to in subparagraph (B)(i) is in effect, and

"(iv) rules similar to the rules of section 51A(b)(5)(C) shall apply.

('(B) QUALIFIED FIRST- AND SECOND-YEAR WAGES.—For purposes of subparagraph (A)—

"(i) IN GENERAL.—The term 'qualified wages' means, with respect to each 1-year period referred to in clause (ii) or (iii), as the case may be, the wages paid or incurred by the employer during the taxable year to any individual but only if—

"(I) the employer is engaged in a trade or business in a renewal community throughout such 1-year period,

"(II) the principal place of abode of such individual is in such renewal community throughout such 1-year period, and

"(III) substantially all of the services which such individual performs for the employer during such 1-year period are performed in such renewal community.

"(ii) QUALIFIED FIRST-YEAR WAGES.—The term 'qualified first-year wages' means, with respect to any individual, qualified wages attributable to service rendered during the 1year period beginning with the day the individual begins work for the employer.

"(iii) QUALIFIED SECOND-YEAR WAGES.—The term 'qualified second-year wages' means, with respect to any individual, qualified wages attributable to service rendered during the 1-year period beginning on the day after the last day of the 1-year period with respect to such individual determined under clause (ii)."

(b) CONGRUENT TREATMENT OF RENEWAL COMMUNITIES AND ENTERPRISE ZONES FOR PURPOSES OF YOUTH RESIDENCE REQUIRE-MENTS.—

(1) HIGH-RISK YOUTH.—Subparagraphs (A)(ii) and (B) of section 51(d)(5) are each amended by striking "empowerment zone or enterprise community" and inserting "empowerment zone, enterprise community, or renewal community".

(2) QUALIFIED SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYEE.— Clause (iv) of section 51(d)(7)(A) is amended by striking "empowerment zone or enterprise community" and inserting "empowerment zone, enterprise community, or renewal community".

(3) HEADINGS.—Paragraphs (5)(B) and (7)(C) of section 51(d) are each amended by inserting "OR COMMUNITY" in the heading after "ZONE".

SEC. 215. CONFORMING AND CLERICAL AMEND-MENTS.

(a) DEDUCTION FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO FAM-ILY DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNTS ALLOWABLE WHETHER OR NOT TAXPAYER ITEMIZES.—Subsection (a) of section 62 (relating to adjusted gross income defined) is amended by inserting after paragraph (17) the following new paragraph:

(10) FAMILY DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNTS.—The deduction allowed by section 1400H(a)(1)(A).'' (b) TAX ON EXCESS CONTRIBUTIONS.—

(1) TAX IMPOSED.—Subsection (a) of section 4973 is amended by striking "or" at the end of paragraph (3), adding "or" at the end of paragraph (4), and inserting after paragraph (4) the following new paragraph:

"(5) a family development account (within the meaning of section 1400H(e)),".

(2) EXCESS CONTRIBUTIONS.—Section 4973 is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

"(g) FAMILY DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNTS.—For purposes of this section, in the case of a family development account, the term 'excess contributions' means the sum of—

"(1) the excess (if any) of-

"(A) the amount contributed for the taxable year to the account (other than a qualified rollover, as defined in section $1400 H(c)(7), \mbox{ or a contribution under section } 1400 I), \mbox{ over }$

 $^{\prime\prime}(B)$ the amount allowable as a deduction under section 1400H for such contributions, and

 $^{\prime\prime}(2)$ the amount determined under this subsection for the preceding taxable year reduced by the sum of—

"(A) the distributions out of the account for the taxable year which were included in the gross income of the payee under section 1400H(b)(1),

"(B) the distributions out of the account for the taxable year to which rules similar to the rules of section 408(d)(5) apply by reason of section 1400H(d)(3), and

"(C) the excess (if any) of the maximum amount allowable as a deduction under section 1400H for the taxable year over the amount contributed to the account for the taxable year (other than a contribution under section 1400I).

For purposes of this subsection, any contribution which is distributed from the family development account in a distribution to which rules similar to the rules of section 408(d)(4) apply by reason of section 1400H(d)(3) shall be treated as an amount not contributed."

(c) TAX ON PROHIBITED TRANSACTIONS.— Section 4975 is amended—

(1) by adding at the end of subsection (c) the following new paragraph:

"(6) SPECIAL RULE FOR FAMILY DEVELOP-MENT ACCOUNTS.—An individual for whose benefit a family development account is established and any contributor to such account shall be exempt from the tax imposed by this section with respect to any transaction concerning such account (which would otherwise be taxable under this section) if, with respect to such transaction, the account ceases to be a family development account by reason of the application of section 1400H(d)(2) to such account.", and

(2) in subsection (e)(1), by striking "or" at the end of subparagraph (E), by redesignating subparagraph (F) as subparagraph (G), and by inserting after subparagraph (E) the following new subparagraph:

"(F) a family development account described in section 1400H(e), or".

(d) INFORMATION RELATING TO CERTAIN TRUSTS AND ANNUITY PLANS.—Subsection (c) of section 6047 is amended—

(1) by inserting "or section 1400H" after "section 219", and

(2) by inserting '', of any family development account described in section 1400H(e),'', after ''section 408(a)''.

(e) INSPECTION OF APPLICATIONS FOR TAX EXEMPTION.—Clause (i) of section 6104(a)(1)(B) is amended by inserting "a family development account described in section 1400H(e)," after "section 408(a),". (f) FAILURE TO PROVIDE REPORTS ON FAM-

(f) FAILURE TO PROVIDE REPORTS ON FAM-ILY DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNTS.—Paragraph (2) of section 6693(a) is amended by striking "and" at the end of subparagraph (C), by striking the period and inserting ", and" at the end of subparagraph (D), and by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

"(E) section 1400H(g)(6) (relating to family development accounts)."

(g) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS REGARDING COMMERCIAL REVITALIZATION CREDIT.—

(1) Section 46 (relating to investment credit) is amended by striking "and" at the end of paragraph (2), by striking the period at the end of paragraph (3) and inserting ", and", and by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

"(4) the commercial revitalization credit provided under section 1400K."

(2) Section 39(d) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

"(9) NO CARRYBACK OF SECTION 1400K CREDIT BEFORE DATE OF ENACTMENT.—No portion of the unused business credit for any taxable year which is attributable to any commercial revitalization credit determined under section 1400K may be carried back to a taxable year ending before the date of the enactment of section 1400K."

(3) Subparagraph (B) of section 48(a)(2) is amended by inserting "or commercial revitalization" after "rehabilitation" each place it appears in the text and heading.

(4) Subparagraph (C) of section 49(a)(1) is amended by striking "and" at the end of clause (ii), by striking the period at the end of clause (iii) and inserting ", and", and by adding at the end the following new clause:

(iv) the portion of the basis of any qualified revitalization building attributable to qualified revitalization expenditures."

(5) Paragraph (2) of section 50(a) is amended by inserting ''or 1400K(d)(2)'' after ''section 47(d)'' each place it appears.

(6) Subparagraph (A) of section 50(a)(2) is amended by inserting "or qualified revitalization building (respectively)" after "qualified rehabilitated building".

(7) Subparagraph (B) of section 50(a)(2) is amended by adding at the end the following new sentence: "A similar rule shall apply for purposes of section 1400K."

(8) Paragraph (2) of section 50(b) is amended by striking "and" at the end of subparagraph (C), by striking the period at the end of subparagraph (D) and inserting "; and", and by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

"(E) a qualified revitalization building (as defined in section 1400K) to the extent of the portion of the basis which is attributable to qualified revitalization expenditures (as defined in section 1400K)."

(9) The last sentence of section 50(b)(3) is amended to read as follows: "If any qualified rehabilitated building or qualified revitalization building is used by the tax-exempt organization pursuant to a lease, this paragraph shall not apply for purposes of determining the amount of the rehabilitation credit or the commercial revitalization credit."

(10) Subparagraph (C) of section 50(b)(4) is amended—

(A) by inserting ''or commercial revitalization'' after ''rehabilitated'' in the text and heading, and

(B) by inserting "or commercial revitalization" after "rehabilitation".

(11) Subparagraph (C) of section 469(i)(3) is amended—

(A) by inserting ''or section 1400K'' after ''section 42''; and

(B) by striking "CREDIT" in the heading and inserting "AND COMMERCIAL REVITALIZA-TION CREDITS".

(h) CLERICAL AMENDMENTS.—The table of subchapters for chapter 1 is amended by add-ing at the end the following new item:

"Subchapter X. Renewal Communities."

SEC. 216. EVALUATION AND REPORTING RE-QUIREMENTS.

Not later than the close of the fourth calendar year after the year in which the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development first designates an area as a renewal community under section 1400E of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and at the close of each fourth calendar year thereafter, such Secretary shall prepare and submit to the Congress a report on the effects of such designations in stimulating the creation of new jobs, particularly for disadvantaged workers and long-term unemployed individuals, and promoting the revitalization of economically distressed areas.

Subtitle C—Tax Incentives for Education SEC. 221. EXPANSION OF INCENTIVES FOR PUB-LIC SCHOOLS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Part IV of subchapter U of chapter 1 (relating to incentives for education zones) is amended to read as follows:

"PART IV—INCENTIVES FOR QUALIFIED PUBLIC SCHOOL MODERNIZATION BONDS

"Sec. 1397E. Credit to holders of qualified public school modernization bonds.

"Sec. 1397F. Qualified zone academy bonds. "Sec. 1397G. Qualified school construction bonds.

"SEC. 1397E. CREDIT TO HOLDERS OF QUALIFIED PUBLIC SCHOOL MODERNIZATION BONDS.

"(a) ALLOWANCE OF CREDIT.—In the case of a taxpayer who holds a qualified public school modernization bond on the credit allowance date of such bond which occurs during the taxable year, there shall be allowed as a credit against the tax imposed by this chapter for such taxable year the amount determined under subsection (b).

"(b) AMOUNT OF CREDIT.-

 $^{\prime\prime}(1)$ IN GENERAL.—The amount of the credit determined under this subsection with respect to any qualified public school modernization bond is the amount equal to the product of—

"((A) the credit rate determined by the Secretary under paragraph (2) for the month in which such bond was issued, multiplied by

"(B) the face amount of the bond held by the taxpayer on the credit allowance date.

"(2) DETERMINATION.—During each calendar month, the Secretary shall determine a credit rate which shall apply to bonds issued during the following calendar month. The credit rate for any month is the percentage which the Secretary estimates will on average permit the issuance of qualified public school modernization bonds without discount and without interest cost to the issuer.

"(c) LIMITATION BASED ON AMOUNT OF TAX.—

 $^{\prime\prime}(1)$ IN GENERAL.—The credit allowed under subsection (a) for any taxable year shall not exceed the excess of—

"(A) the sum of the regular tax liability (as defined in section 26(b)) plus the tax imposed by section 55, over

"(B) the sum of the credits allowable under part IV of subchapter A (other than subpart C thereof, relating to refundable credits).

"(2) CARRYOVER OF UNUSED CREDIT.—If the credit allowable under subsection (a) exceeds the limitation imposed by paragraph (1) for such taxable year, such excess shall be carried to the succeeding taxable year and added to the credit allowable under subsection (a) for such taxable year.

"(d) QUALIFIED PUBLIC SCHOOL MODERNIZA-TION BOND; CREDIT ALLOWANCE DATE.—For purposes of this section—

''(1) QUALIFIED PUBLIC SCHOOL MODERNIZA-TION BOND.—The term 'qualified public school modernization bond' means—

"(A) a qualified zone academy bond, and

"(B) a qualified school construction bond.

"(2) CREDIT ALLOWANCE DATE.—The term 'credit allowance date' means, with respect to any issue, the last day of the 1-year period beginning on the date of issuance of such issue and the last day of each successive 1year period thereafter.

"(e) OTHER DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this part—

"(I) LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCY.—The term 'local educational agency' has the meaning given to such term by section 14101 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965. Such term includes the local educational agency that serves the District of Columbia but does not include any other State agency.

''(2) BOND.—The term 'bond' includes any obligation.

"(3) STATE.—The term 'State' includes the District of Columbia and any possession of the United States.

"(4) PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITY.—The term 'public school facility' shall not include any stadium or other facility primarily used for athletic contests or exhibitions or other events for which admission is charged to the general public.

"(f) CREDIT INCLUDED IN GROSS INCOME.— Gross income includes the amount of the credit allowed to the taxpayer under this section and the amount so included shall be treated as interest income.

"(g) BONDS HELD BY REGULATED INVEST-MENT COMPANIES.—If any qualified public school modernization bond is held by a regulated investment company, the credit determined under subsection (a) shall be allowed to shareholders of such company under procedures prescribed by the Secretary.

"SEC. 1397F. QUALIFIED ZONE ACADEMY BONDS.

 $^{\prime\prime}(a)$ Qualified Zone Academy Bond.—For purposes of this part—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—The term 'qualified zone academy bond' means any bond issued as part of an issue if—

"(A) 95 percent or more of the proceeds of such issue are to be used for a qualified purpose with respect to a qualified zone academy established by a local educational agency,

cy, "(B) the bond is issued by a State or local government within the jurisdiction of which such academy is located,

"(C) the issuer—

 $^{\prime\prime}(i)$ designates such bond for purposes of this section,

"(ii) certifies that it has written assurances that the private business contribution requirement of paragraph (2) will be met with respect to such academy, and

"(iii) certifies that it has the written approval of the local educational agency for such bond issuance, and

 $^{\prime\prime}(D)$ the term of each bond which is part of such issue does not exceed 15 years.

"(2) PRIVATE BUSINESS CONTRIBUTION RE-QUIREMENT.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of paragraph (I), the private business contribution requirement of this paragraph is met with respect to any issue if the local educational agency that established the qualified zone academy has written commitments from private entities to make qualified contributions having a present value (as of the date of issuance of the issue) of not less than 10 percent of the proceeds of the issue.

"(B) QUALIFIED CONTRIBUTIONS.—For purposes of subparagraph (A), the term 'qualified contribution' means any contribution (of a type and quality acceptable to the local educational agency) of—

"(i) equipment for use in the qualified zone academy (including state-of-the-art technology and vocational equipment),

"(ii) technical assistance in developing curriculum or in training teachers in order to promote appropriate market driven technology in the classroom,

 $^{\prime\prime}(i\bar{1}\bar{1})$ services of employees as volunteer mentors,

 $``(\mathrm{iv})$ internships, field trips, or other educational opportunities outside the academy for students, or

(v) any other property or service specified by the local educational agency.

"(3) QUALIFIED ZONE ACADEMY.—The term 'qualified zone academy' means any public school (or academic program within a public school) which is established by and operated under the supervision of a local educational agency to provide education or training below the postsecondary level if—

"(A) such public school or program (as the case may be) is designed in cooperation with business to enhance the academic curriculum, increase graduation and employment rates, and better prepare students for the rigors of college and the increasingly complex workforce, $% \left({{{\left[{{{c_{{\rm{m}}}}} \right]}_{{\rm{m}}}}}} \right)$

"(B) students in such public school or program (as the case may be) will be subject to the same academic standards and assessments as other students educated by the local educational agency,

"(D) the comprehensive education plan of such public school or program is approved by the local educational agency, and

"(E)(i) such public school is located in an empowerment zone or enterprise community (including any such zone or community designated after the date of the enactment of this section), or

"(ii) there is a reasonable expectation (as of the date of issuance of the bonds) that at least 35 percent of the students attending such school or participating in such program (as the case may be) will be eligible for free or reduced-cost lunches under the school lunch program established under the National School Lunch Act.

 $^{\prime\prime}(4)$ QUALIFIED PURPOSE.—The term 'qualified purpose' means, with respect to any qualified zone academy—

"(A) constructing, rehabilitating, or repairing the public school facility in which the academy is established,

 $^{\prime\prime}(B)$ providing equipment for use at such academy,

"(C) developing course materials for education to be provided at such academy, and "(D) training teachers and other school personnel in such academy.

"(5) TEMPORARY PERIOD EXCEPTION.—A bond shall not be treated as failing to meet the requirement of paragraph (1) (A) solely by reason of the fact that the proceeds of the issue of which such bond is a part are invested for a reasonable temporary period (but not more than 36 months) until such proceeds are needed for the purpose for which such issue was issued. Any earnings on such proceeds during such period shall be treated as proceeds of the issue for purposes of applying paragraph (1)(A).

(b) LIMITATIONS ON AMOUNT OF BONDS DESIGNATED.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—There is a national zone academy bond limitation for each calendar year. Such limitation is—

''(A) \$400,000,000 for 1998,

''(B) \$700,000,000 for 1999,

"(C) \$700,000,000 for 2000,

"(D) \$700,000,000 for 2001,

"(C) \$700,000,000 for 2002, and

"(D) except as provided in paragraph (3), zero after 2002.

"(2) ALLOCATION OF LIMITATION.—

"(A) ALLOCATION AMONG STATES.—

"(i) 1998 LIMITATION.—The national zone academy bond limitation for calendar year 1998 shall be allocated by the Secretary among the States on the basis of their respective populations of individuals below the poverty line (as defined by the Office of Management and Budget).

"(ii) LIMITATION AFTER 1998.—The national zone academy bond limitation for any calendar year after 1998 shall be allocated by the Secretary among the States in the manner prescribed by section 1397G(d); except that, in making the allocation under this clause, the Secretary shall take into account Basic Grants attributable to large local educational agencies (as defined in section 1397G(e)).

"(B) ALLOCATION TO LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCIES.—The limitation amount allocated to a State under subparagraph (A) shall be allocated by the State education agency to qualified zone academies within such State.

"(C) DESIGNATION SUBJECT TO LIMITATION AMOUNT.—The maximum aggregate face amount of bonds issued during any calendar year which may be designated under subsection (a) with respect to any qualified zone academy shall not exceed the limitation amount allocated to such academy under subparagraph (B) for such calendar year.

"(3) CARRYOVER OF UNUSED LIMITATION.—If for any calendar year—

"(A) the limitation amount under this subsection for any State, exceeds

"(B) the amount of bonds issued during such year which are designated under subsection (a) with respect to qualified zone academies within such State,

the limitation amount under this subsection for such State for the following calendar year shall be increased by the amount of such excess. The preceding sentence shall not apply if such following calendar year is after 2004.

"SEC. 1397G. QUALIFIED SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION BONDS.

"(a) QUALIFIED SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION BOND.—For purposes of this part, the term 'qualified school construction bond' means any bond issued as part of an issue if—

⁽¹⁾(1) 95 percent or more of the proceeds of such issue are to be used for the construction, rehabilitation, or repair of a public school facility,

"(2) the bond is issued by a State or local government within the jurisdiction of which such school is located,

''(3) the issuer designates such bond for purposes of this section, and

''(4) the term of each bond which is part of such issue does not exceed 15 years.

Rules similar to the rules of section 1397F(a)(5) shall apply for purposes of paragraph (1).

"(b) LIMITATION ON AMOUNT OF BONDS DES-IGNATED.—The maximum aggregate face amount of bonds issued during any calendar year which may be designated under subsection (a) by any issuer shall not exceed the sum of—

 $^{\prime\prime}(1)$ the limitation amount allocated under subsection (d) for such calendar year to such issuer, and

"(2) if such issuer is a large local educational agency (as defined in subsection (e)) or is issuing on behalf of such an agency, the limitation amount allocated under subsection (e) for such calendar year to such agency.

agency. "(c) NATIONAL LIMITATION ON AMOUNT OF BONDS DESIGNATED.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—There is a national qualified school construction bond limitation for each calendar year equal to the dollar amount specified in paragraph (2) for such year, reduced, in the case of calendar years 1999 and 2000, by 1.5 percent of such amount.

''(2) DOLLAR AMOUNT SPECIFIED.—The dollar amount specified in this paragraph is—

''(A) \$9,700,000,000 for 1999,

"(B) \$9,700,000,000 for 2000, and

"(C) except as provided in subsection (f), zero after 2000.

"(d) 65-PERCENT OF LIMITATION ALLOCATED AMONG STATES.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—Sixty-five percent of the limitation applicable under subsection (c) for any calendar year shall be allocated among the States under paragraph (2) by the Secretary. The limitation amount allocated to a State under the preceding sentence shall be allocated by the State education agency to issuers within such State and such allocations may be made only if there is an approved State application.

"(2) ALLOCATION FORMULA.—The amount to be allocated under paragraph (1) for any calendar year shall be allocated among the States in proportion to the respective amounts each such State received for Basic Grants under subpart 2 of part A of title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6331 et seq.) for the most recent fiscal year ending before such calendar year. For purposes of the preceding sentence, Basic Grants attributable to large local educational agencies (as defined in subsection (e)) shall be disregarded.

"(3) MINIMUM ALLOCATIONS TO STATES.

"(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall adjust the allocations under this subsection for any calendar year for each State to the extent necessary to ensure that the sum of—

"(i) the amount allocated to such State under this subsection for such year, and

"(ii) the aggregate amounts allocated under subsection (e) to large local educational agencies in such State for such year,

is not less than an amount equal to such State's minimum percentage of 65 percent of the national qualified school construction bond limitation under subsection (c) for the calendar year.

"(B) MINIMUM PERCENTAGE.—A State's minimum percentage for any calendar year is the minimum percentage described in section 1124(d) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6334(d)) for such State for the most recent fiscal year ending before such calendar year.

ALLOCATIONS TO CERTAIN POSSES-⁽⁴⁾ SIONS.—The amount to be allocated under paragraph (1) to any possession of the United States other than Puerto Rico shall be the amount which would have been allocated if all allocations under paragraph (1) were made on the basis of respective populations of individuals below the poverty line (as defined by the Office of Management and Budget). In making other allocations, the amount to be allocated under paragraph (1) shall be reduced by the aggregate amount allocated under this paragraph to possessions of the United States.

"(5) APPROVED STATE APPLICATION.—For purposes of paragraph (1), the term 'approved State application' means an application which is approved by the Secretary of Education and which includes—

"(A) the results of a recent publicly-available survey (undertaken by the State with the involvement of local education officials, members of the public, and experts in school construction and management) of such State's needs for public school facilities, including descriptions of—

''(i) health and safety problems at such facilities,

 $^{\prime\prime}(ii)$ the capacity of public schools in the State to house projected enrollments, and

"(iii) the extent to which the public schools in the State offer the physical infrastructure needed to provide a high-quality education to all students, and

"(B) a description of how the State will allocate to local educational agencies, or otherwise use, its allocation under this subsection to address the needs identified under subparagraph (A), including a description of how it will—

"(i) give highest priority to localities with the greatest needs, as demonstrated by inadequate school facilities coupled with a low level of resources to meet those needs,

"(ii) use its allocation under this subsection to assist localities that lack the fiscal capacity to issue bonds on their own, including the issuance of bonds by the State on behalf of such localities, and

"(iii) ensure that its allocation under this subsection is used only to supplement, and not supplant, the amount of school construction, rehabilitation, and repair in the State that would have occurred in the absence of such allocation.

Any allocation under paragraph (1) by a State education agency shall be binding if such agency reasonably determined that the

allocation was in accordance with the plan approved under this paragraph.

"(e) 35-PERCENT OF LIMITATION ALLOCATED AMONG LARGEST SCHOOL DISTRICTS.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—Thirty-five percent of the limitation applicable under subsection (c) for any calendar year shall be allocated under paragraph (2) by the Secretary among local educational agencies which are large local educational agencies for such year. No qualified school construction bond may be issued by reason of an allocation to a large local educational agency under the preceding sentence unless such agency has an approved local application.

"(2) ALLOCATION FORMULA.—The amount to be allocated under paragraph (1) for any calendar year shall be allocated among large local educational agencies in proportion to the respective amounts each such agency received for Basic Grants under subpart 2 of part A of title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6331 et seq.) for the most recent fiscal year ending before such calendar year.

"(3) LARGE LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCY.— For purposes of this section, the term 'large local educational agency' means, with respect to a calendar year, any local educational agency if such agency is—

"(A) among the 100 local educational agencies with the largest numbers of children aged 5 through 17 from families living below the poverty level, as determined by the Secretary using the most recent data available from the Department of Commerce that are satisfactory to the Secretary, or

"(B) 1 of not more than 25 local educational agencies (other than those described in clause (i)) that the Secretary of Education determines (based on the most recent data available satisfactory to the Secretary) are in particular need of assistance, based on a low level of resources for school construction, a high level of enrollment growth, or such other factors as the Secretary deems appropriate.

"(4) APPROVED LOCAL APPLICATION.—For purposes of paragraph (1), the term 'approved local application' means an application which is approved by the Secretary of Education and which includes—

"(A) the results of a recent publicly-available survey (undertaken by the local educational agency with the involvement of school officials, members of the public, and experts in school construction and management) of such agency's needs for public school facilities, including descriptions of—

"(i) the overall condition of the local educational agency's school facilities, including health and safety problems,

"(ii) the capacity of the agency's schools to house projected enrollments, and

"(iii) the extent to which the agency's schools offer the physical infrastructure needed to provide a high-quality education to all students.

 $^{(\prime)}(B)$ a description of how the local educational agency will use its allocation under this subsection to address the needs identified under subparagraph (A), and

"(C) a description of how the local educational agency will ensure that its allocation under this subsection is used only to supplement, and not supplant, the amount of school construction, rehabilitation, or repair in the locality that would have occurred in the absence of such allocation.

A rule similar to the rule of the last sentence of subsection (d)(5) shall apply for purposes of this paragraph.

"(f) CARRYOVER OF UNUSED LIMITATION.—If for any calendar year—

 $\ensuremath{^{\prime\prime}}(1)$ the amount allocated under subsection (d) to any State, exceeds

"(2) the amount of bonds issued during such year which are designated under subsection (a) pursuant to such allocation,

the limitation amount under such subsection for such State for the following calendar year shall be increased by the amount of such excess. A similar rule shall apply to the amounts allocated under subsection (e). The subsection shall not apply if such following calendar year is after 2002.

"(g) Set-Aside Allocated Among Indian Tribes.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—The 1.5 percent set-aside applicable under subsection (c)(1) for any calendar year shall be allocated under paragraph (2) among Indian tribes for the construction, rehabilitation, or repair of tribal schools. No allocation may be made under the preceding sentence unless the Indian tribe has an approved application.

"(2) ALLOCATION FORMULA.—The amount to be allocated under paragraph (1) for any calendar year shall be allocated among Indian tribes on a competitive basis by the Secretary of Education, in consultation with the Secretary of the Interior—

"(A) through a negotiated rulemaking procedure with the tribes in the same manner as the procedure described in section 106(b)(2) of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4116(b)(2)), and

 $^{\prime\prime}(B)$ based on criteria described in paragraphs (1), (3), (4), (5), and (6) of section 12005(a) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 8505(a)).

"(3) APPROVED APPLICATION.—For purposes of paragraph (1), the term 'approved application' means an application submitted by an Indian tribe which is approved by the Secretary of Education and which includes—

"(A) the basis upon which the applicable tribal school meets the criteria described in paragraph (2)(B), and

"(B) an assurance by the Indian tribe that such tribal school will not receive funds pursuant to allocations described in subsection (d) or (e).

 $^{\prime\prime}(4)$ DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this subsection—

''(A) INDIAN TRIBE.—The term 'Indian tribe' has the meaning given such term by section 45A(c)(6).

"(B) TRIBAL SCHOOL.—The term 'tribal school' means a school that is operated by an Indian tribe for the education of Indian children with financial assistance under grant under the Tribally Controlled Schools Act of 1988 (25 U.S.C. 2501 et seq.) or a contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs under the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450f et seq.)."

(b) REPORTING.—Subsection (d) of section 6049 (relating to returns regarding payments of interest) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

((8) REPORTING OF CREDIT ON QUALIFIED PUBLIC SCHOOL MODERNIZATION BONDS.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of subsection (a), the term 'interest' includes amounts includible in gross income under section 1397E(f) and such amounts shall be treated as paid on the credit allowance date (as defined in section 1397E(d)(2)).

"(B) REPORTING TO CORPORATIONS, ETC.— Except as otherwise provided in regulations, in the case of any interest described in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, subsection (b)(4) of this section shall be applied without regard to subparagraphs (A), (H), (I), (J), (K), and (L)(i).

"(C) REGULATORY AUTHORITY.—The Secretary may prescribe such regulations as are necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes of this paragraph, including regulations which require more frequent or more detailed reporting." (c) CLERICAL AMENDMENTS.-

(1) The table of parts for subchapter U of chapter 1 is amended by striking the item relating to part IV and inserting the following new item:

"Part IV. Incentives for qualified public school modernization bonds."

(2) Part V of subchapter U of chapter 1 is amended by redesignating both section 1397F and the item relating thereto in the table of sections for such part as section 1397H.

(d) EFFECTIVE DATES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), the amendments made by this section shall apply to obligations issued after December 31, 1998.

(2) REPEAL OF RESTRICTION ON ZONE ACAD-EMY BOND HOLDERS.—The repeal of the limitation of section 1397E of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (as in effect on the day before the date of the enactment of this Act) to eligible taxpayers (as defined in subsection (d)(6) of such section) shall apply to obligations issued after December 31, 1997.

TITLE III—SMALL BUSINESS AND FARMER TAX RELIEF

SEC. 301. ACCELERATION OF UNIFIED ESTATE AND GIFT TAX CREDIT INCREASE.

The table in section 2010(c) (relating to applicable credit amount) is amended by striking the item relating to calendar year 1999 and by striking "2000 and 2001" and inserting "1999, 2000, and 2001".

SEC. 302. 100 PERCENT DEDUCTION FOR HEALTH INSURANCE COSTS OF SELF-EM-PLOYED INDIVIDUALS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (1) of section 162(1) (relating to special rules for health insurance costs of self-employed individuals) is amended to read as follows:

"(1) ALLOWANCE OF DEDUCTION.—In the case of an individual who is an employee within the meaning of section 401(c)(1), there shall be allowed as a deduction under this section an amount equal to 100 percent of the amount paid during the taxable year for insurance which constitutes medical care for the taxpayer, his spouse, and dependents."

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1998.

SEC. 303. INCOME AVERAGING FOR FARMERS MADE PERMANENT.

Subsection (c) of section 933 of the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 is amended by striking '', and before January 1, 2001''.

SEC. 304. 5-YEAR NET OPERATING LOSS CARRYBACK FOR FARMING LOSSES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (1) of section 172(b) (relating to net operating loss deduction) is amended by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

"(G) FARMING LOSSES.—In the case of a taxpayer which has a farming loss (as defined in subsection (i)) for a taxable year, such farming loss shall be a net operating loss carryback to each of the 5 taxable years preceding the taxable year of such loss."

(b) FARMING LOSS.—Section 172 is amended by redesignating subsection (i) as subsection (j) and by inserting after subsection (h) the following new subsection:

"(i) RULES RELATING TO FARMING LOSSES.— For purposes of this section—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The term 'farming loss' means the lesser of—

"(A) the amount which would be the net operating loss for the taxable year if only income and deductions attributable to farming businesses (as defined in section 263A(e)(4)) are taken into account, or

"(B) the amount of the net operating loss for such taxable year.

"(2) COORDINATION WITH SUBSECTION (b)(2).— For purposes of applying subsection (b)(2), a farming loss for any taxable year shall be treated in a manner similar to the manner in which a specified liability loss is treated.

"(3) ELECTION.—Any taxpayer entitled to a 5-year carryback under subsection (b)(1)(G) from any loss year may elect to have the carryback period with respect to such loss year determined without regard to subsection (b)(1)(G). Such election shall be made in such manner as may be prescribed by the Secretary and shall be made by the due date (including extensions of time) for filing the taxpayer's return for the taxable year of the net operating loss. Such election, once made for any taxable year."

(c) COORDINATION WITH FARM DISASTER LOSSES.—Clause (ii) of section 172(b)(1)(F) is amended by adding at the end the following flush sentence:

"Such term shall not include any farming loss (as defined in subsection (i))."

(d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to net operating losses for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1997.

SEC. 305. INCREASE IN EXPENSE TREATMENT FOR SMALL BUSINESSES.

(a) GENERAL RULE.—Paragraph (1) of section 179(b) (relating to dollar limitation) is amended to read as follows:

"(1) DOLLAR LIMITATION.—The aggregate cost which may be taken into account under subsection (a) for any taxable year shall not exceed \$25,000."

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1998.

SEC. 306. RESEARCH CREDIT.

(a) TEMPORARY EXTENSION.-

(1) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (1) of section 41(h) (relating to termination) is amended—

(A) by striking "June 30, 1998" and inserting "February 29, 2000",

(B) by striking "24-month" and inserting "44-month" and

(C) by striking "24 months" and inserting "44 months".

(2) TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.—Subparagraph (D) of section 45C(b)(1) is amended by striking ''June 30, 1998'' and inserting ''February 29, 2000''.

(3) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this subsection shall apply to amounts paid or incurred after June 30, 1998.
(b) INCREASE IN PERCENTAGES UNDER ALTERNATIVE INCREMENTAL CREDIT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subparagraph (A) of section 41(c)(4) is amended—

(A) by striking "1.65 percent" and inserting "2.65 percent",

(B) by striking "2.2 percent" and inserting "3.2 percent", and

(C) by striking ''2.75 percent'' and inserting ''3.75 percent''.

(2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this subsection shall apply to taxable years beginning after June 30, 1998.

SEC. 307. WORK OPPORTUNITY CREDIT.

(a) TEMPORARY EXTENSION.—Subparagraph
(B) of section 51(c)(4) (relating to termination) is amended by striking ''June 30, 1998'' and inserting ''February 29, 2000''.
(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this section shall apply to individuals who begin work for the employer after June 30, 1998.

SEC. 308. WELFARE-TO-WORK CREDIT.

Subsection (f) of section 51A (relating to termination) is amended by striking "April 30, 1999" and inserting "February 29, 2000".

SEC. 309. CONTRIBUTIONS OF STOCK TO PRIVATE FOUNDATIONS; EXPANDED PUBLIC INSPECTION OF PRIVATE FOUNDA-TIONS' ANNUAL RETURNS.

(a) SPECIAL RULE FOR CONTRIBUTIONS OF STOCK MADE PERMANENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (5) of section 170(e) is amended by striking subparagraph (D) (relating to termination).

(2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by paragraph (1) shall apply to contributions made after June 30, 1998.

(b) EXPANDED PUBLIC INSPECTION OF PRI-VATE FOUNDATIONS' ANNUAL RETURNS, ETC.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 6104 (relating to publicity of information required from certain exempt organizations and certain trusts) is amended by striking subsections (d) and (e) and inserting after subsection (c) the following new subsection:

"(d) PUBLIC INSPECTION OF CERTAIN ANNUAL RETURNS AND APPLICATIONS FOR EXEMP-TION.—

 $^{\prime\prime}(1)$ IN GENERAL.—In the case of an organization described in subsection (c) or (d) of section 501 and exempt from taxation under section 501(a)—

"(A) a copy of—

"(i) the annual return filed under section 6033 (relating to returns by exempt organizations) by such organization, and

"(ii) if the organization filed an application for recognition of exemption under section 501, the exempt status application materials of such organization,

shall be made available by such organization for inspection during regular business hours by any individual at the principal office of such organization and, if such organization regularly maintains 1 or more regional or district offices having 3 or more employees, at each such regional or district office, and

"(B) upon request of an individual made at such principal office or such a regional or district office, a copy of such annual return and exempt status application materials shall be provided to such individual without charge other than a reasonable fee for any reproduction and mailing costs.

The request described in subparagraph (B) must be made in person or in writing. If such request is made in person, such copy shall be provided immediately and, if made in writing, shall be provided within 30 days.

"(2) 3-YEAR LIMITATION ON INSPECTION OF RETURNS.—Paragraph (1) shall apply to an annual return filed under section 6033 only during the 3-year period beginning on the last day prescribed for filing such return (determined with regard to any extension of time for filing).

"(3) EXCEPTIONS FROM DISCLOSURE REQUIRE-MENT.—

"(A) NONDISCLOSURE OF CONTRIBUTORS, ETC.—Paragraph (1) shall not require the disclosure of the name or address of any contributor to the organization. In the case of an organization described in section 501(d), subparagraph (A) shall not require the disclosure of the copies referred to in section 6031(b) with respect to such organization.

"(B) NONDISCLOSURE OF CERTAIN OTHER IN-FORMATION.—Paragraph (1) shall not require the disclosure of any information if the Secretary withheld such information from public inspection under subsection (a)(1)(D).

"(4) LIMITATION ON PROVIDING COPIES.— Paragraph (1)(B) shall not apply to any request if, in accordance with regulations promulgated by the Secretary, the organization has made the requested documents widely available, or the Secretary determines, upon application by an organization, that such request is part of a harassment campaign and that compliance with such request is not in the public interest.

"(5) EXEMPT STATUS APPLICATION MATE-RIALS.—For purposes of paragraph (1), the term 'exempt status applicable materials' means the application for recognition of exemption under section 501 and any papers submitted in support of such application and any letter or other document issued by the Internal Revenue Service with respect to such application."

(2) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.-

(A) Subsection (c) of section 6033 is amended by adding "and" at the end of paragraph (1), by striking paragraph (2), and by redesignating paragraph (3) as paragraph (2).

(B) Subparagraph (C) of section 6652(c)(1) is amended by striking "subsection (d) or (e)(1) of section 6104 (relating to public inspection of annual returns)" and inserting "section 6104(d) with respect to any annual return".

(C) Subparagraph (D) of section 6652(c)(1) is amended by striking "section 6104(e)(2) (relating to public inspection of applications for exemption)" and inserting "section 6104(d) with respect to any exempt status application materials (as defined in such section)".

(D) Section 6685 is amended by striking ''or (e)''.

(E) Section 7207 is amended by striking "or (e)".

(3) EFFECTIVE DATE.—

(Å) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subparagraph (B), the amendments made by this subsection shall apply to requests made after the later of December 31, 1998, or the 60th day after the Secretary of the Treasury first issues the regulations referred to such section 6104(d)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended by this section.

(B) PUBLICATION OF ANNUAL RETURNS.—Section 6104(d) of such Code, as in effect before the amendments made by this subsection, shall not apply to any return the due date for which is after the date such amendments take effect under subparagraph (A).

TITLE IV—SOCIAL SECURITY EARNINGS LIMIT

SEC. 401. INCREASES IN THE SOCIAL SECURITY EARNINGS LIMIT FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE ATTAINED RETIREMENT AGE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 203(f)(8)(D) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 403(f)(8)(D)) is amended by striking clauses (iv) through (vii) and inserting the following new clauses: "(iv) for each month of any taxable year

ending after 1998 and before 2000, \$1,416.66%, "(v) for each month of any taxable year

ending after 1999 and before 2001, \$1,541.66%, "(vi) for each month of any taxable year

ending after 2000 and before 2002, \$2,166.66%, "(vii) for each month of any taxable year

ending after 2001 and before 2003, \$2,500.00, "(viji) for each month of any taxable year

ending after 2002 and before 2004, $\$2,608.33^{1/3}$, ''(ix) for each month of any taxable year

ending after 2003 and before 2005, \$2,833.33¹/₃, "(x) for each month of any taxable year

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ending after 2005 and before 2007, \$3,066.66²/₃,

''(xii) for each month of any taxable year ending after 2006 and before 2008, 33,195.831% and

"(xiii) for each month of any taxable year ending after 2007 and before 2009, \$3,312.50.".

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(1) Section 203(f)(8)(B)(ii) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 403(f)(8)(B)(ii)) is amended—

(A) by striking "after 2001 and before 2003" and inserting "after 2007 and before 2009"; and

(B) in subclause (II), by striking "2000" and inserting "2006".

(2) The second sentence of section 223(d)(4)(A) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 423(d)(4)(A)) is amended by inserting "and section 121 of the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1998" after "1996".

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply with respect to taxable years ending after 1998.

TITLE V-REVENUE OFFSET

SEC. 501. TREATMENT OF CERTAIN DEDUCTIBLE LIQUIDATING DISTRIBUTIONS OF REGULATED INVESTMENT COMPA-NIES AND REAL ESTATE INVEST-MENT TRUSTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 332 (relating to complete liquidations of subsidiaries) is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

"(c) DEDUCTIBLE LIQUIDATING DISTRIBU-TIONS OF REGULATED INVESTMENT COMPANIES AND REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUSTS.—If a corporation receives a distribution from a regulated investment company or a real estate investment trust which is considered under subsection (b) as being in complete liquidation of such company or trust, then, notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, such corporation shall recognize and treat as a dividend from such company or trust an amount equal to the deduction for dividends paid allowable to such company or trust by reason of such distribution.".

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(1) The material preceding paragraph (1) of section 332(b) is amended by striking "subsection (a)" and inserting "this section".

(2) Paragraph (1) of section 334(b) is amended by striking "section 332(a)" and inserting "section 332".

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to distributions after May 21, 1998.

(d) TRANSFER OF INCREASED REVENUES TO SOCIAL SECURITY TRUST FUNDS.—

(1) ESTIMATE BY SECRETARY.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall periodically estimate the increase in Federal revenues for each fiscal year beginning after September 30, 1997, by reason of the amendments made by this section. The Secretary shall adjust any estimate to the extent necessary to correct any error in a prior estimate.

(2) TRANSFER OF FUNDS.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall, not less frequently than quarterly, transfer to the trust funds established under section 201 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 401) from the general fund of the Treasury an amount equal to the increase in Federal revenues estimated under paragraph (1) for the period covered by the transfer. Such transfer shall be allocated among the trust funds in the same manner as other revenues.

TITLE VI—SAVING SOCIAL SECURITY FIRST

SEC. 601. EFFECTIVE DATE OF PROVISIONS CON-TINGENT ON SAVING SOCIAL SECU-RITY FIRST.

(a) FINDINGS.—The Senate finds that—

(1) the social security program, created in 1935 to provide old-age, survivors, and disability insurance benefits, is one the most successful and important social insurance programs in the United States, and has played an essential role in reducing poverty among seniors;

(2) the social security program will face significant pressures when the baby boom generation retires, which could threaten the long-term viability of the program;

(3) Congress needs to act promptly to ensure that social security benefits will be available when today's younger Americans retire; and

(4) current budget law and rules that were established to ensure fiscal discipline, including the pay-as-you-go system (which requires tax cuts to be fully offset), prevent Congress from using projected budget surpluses to pay for tax cuts, except by a supermajority vote by three-fifths of the membership of the Senate.

(b) REQUIREMENT FOR SOCIAL SECURITY SOL-VENCY.—Notwithstanding any other provision of, or amendment made by, this Act, no such provision or amendment shall take effect before the first January I after the date of enactment of this Act that follows a calendar year for which there is a social security solvency designation pursuant to subsection (c). (c) SOCIAL SECURITY SOLVENCY DESIGNA-

(c) SOCIAL SECURITY SOLVENCY DESIGNA-TION.—For purposes of subsection (b), there is a social security solvency designation for a calendar year if, during such year—

(1) the Board of Trustees of the social security trust funds certifies in its annual report that both the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund and the Federal Disability Insurance Trust Fund are in longrange actuarial balance pursuant to section 201(c)(2) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 401(c)(2)); and

(2) Congress, upon review of the Board of Trustees' determination that the trust funds are in long-range actuarial balance, so certifies by statute.

• Mr. LAUTENBERG. Mr. President, today I am submitting an amendment to the House-passed tax bill on the calendar. This amendment would improve the House bill by directing more of its tax relief to middle income taxpayers, and by protecting Social Security.

The amendment would provide relief from the marriage penalty, help parents afford child care, promote the modernization of our schools, allow self-employed individuals to deduct the costs of health insurance, encourage savings and investment by establishing new exclusions for interest and dividends for all Americans, promote research by reinstating the research and experimentation tax credit, provide relief from the estate and gift tax, promote the revitalization of depressed areas, expand support for small businesses, and modify rules that discourage seniors from working.

The amendment differs from the House bill in two primary respects. First, it would target tax relief to middle income families, largely by providing additional relief for families with children in child care, and by promoting the modernization of our nation's schools. Second, the bill protects Social Security, by deferring the effective date of the tax cuts until the Social Security Trust Fund is actuarially sound.

Mr. President, let me briefly review the items that are included in my proposal.

First, the amendment would provide relief from the marriage penalty. As proposed in the House-passed bill, the amendment would increase the standard deduction for married couples so that each spouse would have the same deduction as a single filer.

Second, the amendment would help families handle the costs of child care. It would increase the child care and dependent tax credit to a maximum allowable expense for inflation. It would make the credit refundable, so that it benefits those with lower incomes. And it would provide a new tax credit worth \$90 per month for stay-at-home parents of children under one year of age.

Third, the amendment would promote education, by supporting the modernization of our schools, and allowing schools of higher education to establish prepaid tuition programs. Fourth, the amendment would allow self-employed individuals to fully deduct the costs of health insurance.

Fifth, the amendment would promote savings and investment, by establishing a new exclusion for dividends and interest. Individuals could exclude up to \$200, and couples could exclude up to \$400 in dividends and interest.

Sixth, the amendment would extend several provisions of the tax code that expired this year or would expire next year. These include the credits for research, work opportunity and welfareto-work, would be extended through Feb. 29, 2000. The credit for contributions of stock to private foundations would be extended permanently.

Seventh, the amendment would provide immediate relief from the estate and gift tax. Under the legislation, an additional \$25,000 of estates would, in effect, be excludable from this tax in 1999. This would increase the total credit against this tax to \$675,000.

Eighth, the amendment would encourage the revitalization of depressed areas, by providing a variety of tax incentives to businesses and individuals in 20 so-called renewal communities. These low-income areas would be designated by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Ninth, the amendment includes various provisions to assist small businesses. For example, the legislation would allow small-business owners to deduct up to \$25,000 of the cost of business-related equipment.

Finally, the amendment would allow seniors to work more without suffering a reduction in their Social Security benefits. Under the proposal, seniors would be able to earn up to \$17,000 in 1999 without losing a portion of their Social Security benefits. That limit would increase to \$39,750 in 2008.

Mr. President, there also are other provisions in this amendment, and I will not detail each one. Suffice it to say that, to a very large extent, this proposal tracks the tax cuts included in legislation approved by the House. However, as I have noted, the amendment is more targeted to middle income taxpayers, largely because it includes support for child care and school modernization. Also, its estate tax provisions are somewhat modified from the House version, to help us afford these other provisions, and to ensure that the bulk of the relief provided in the bill goes to middle class and moderate-income Americans.

The second key difference from the House Mr. President, it that this proposal includes significant tax relief while fully protecting Social Security. Under the proposal, all tax cuts would become effective when the Social Security Trust Fund is in long-range actuarial balance. This ensures that we will not squander our opportunity to reform Social Security next year, and that we will not force unnecessary cuts in Social Security benefits for today's younger Americans. It also reflects a commitment to abide by the Balanced

Budget Agreement and to maintain fiscal discipline.

I hope my colleagues will support this proposal, and I ask unanimous consent that a summary of the amendment be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the summary was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

The Lautenberg Amendment includes approximately \$85 billion in tax relief that would be available when the Social Security Trust Fund is actuarially sound. The tax cuts are largely the same as those proposed in the House-passed tax bill (though the Amendment also includes tax cuts for child care and school modernization so that its benefits are more targeted to the middle class). Unlike the House-passed bill, the Amendment would not reduce any budget surplus before Congress saves Social Security first.

The main elements of the proposal (and cost in \$ billions/5 years) are:

From House bill: (1) Marriage penalty relief, 28; (2) Interest and dividends exclusion, 15; (3) Self-employed health deduction, 5; (4) Expiring provisions (e.g., R&E credit), 6; (5) Social Security earnings test, 0.5.

Items not in House bill: (1) Child care, 17; (2) School modernization, 5.

Item modified from House bill: Estate tax relief, 2 (House: 18).

AMENDMENT SUMMARY

1. Family Tax Relief Provisions

A. Marriage Penalty Relief—Increase the standard deduction for married couples so that each spouse would have the same deduction as a single filer. The deduction for married couples would increase from \$7200 to \$8600 in 1999, reducing their taxes by an average of \$243 per return. Cost: \$28 billion (House tax bill)

B. Interest and Dividends—Individuals, regardless of income, would be able to exclude up to \$200 of combined interest and dividends from taxes. Married couples could exclude \$400. Cost: \$15 billion (House tax bill)

C. AMT Relief—Individuals would not have to pay the alternative minimum tax as a result of claiming certain tax credits, such as the dependent care credit, the adoption credit, and the child tax credit. Cost: \$8.1 billion (House tax bill)

D. Affordable Child Care—Increase the maximum credit rate to 50% from the current 30%, index the maximum allowable expense for inflation, and make the current dependent care tax credit refundable. Provides a new tax credit worth \$90 per month for stayat-home parents of children under 1. Creates an employer tax credit for child care services. Cost: \$17.0 billion. (From S. 1610, Sen. Dodd's Affordable Child Care for Early Success and Security Act)

2. Education and Infrastructure

A. Permit Schools of Higher Education to Establish Qualified Prepaid Tuition Programs— These programs allow parents to make contributions which are held for use when their children attend college. Contributions accumulate on a tax-deferred basis. Cost: \$572 million (House tax bill)

B. Government Bonds—States would be able to issue more private activity tax-exempt bonds, which typically finance privately owned transportation facilities, municipal services, economic development projects and social programs. The current annual limits of \$50 per resident or \$150 million (whichever is greater) would be increased to \$75 per resident or \$225 million. Cost \$1.1 billion (House tax bill)

C. *Renewal Communities*—To promote the revitalization of depressed areas, the bill

would provide a variety of tax incentives in 20 "removal communities."—Cost: \$1 billion (House tax bill)

D. School Modernization—Bond holders would receive tax credits (a standard amount for all bonds) worth the full interest cost on the bonds, allowing localities to construct or renovate schools without paying any interest. Cost \$5 billion (President's budget proposal)

3. Small Business and Farmer Tax Relief

A. Estate and Gift Tax Unified Credit—The proposal would accelerate from 2000 to 1999 an increase in the Estate and Gift tax credit (increasing the credit from \$650,000 to \$675,000). Cost: \$1.8 billion (Revised provision from House tax bill)

B Deduction for Health Insurance Premiums of the Self-Employed.—Full deductibility is now scheduled to be phased in by 2007. The bill would make the change effective in 1999. Cost: \$5.1 billion (House tax bill)

C. Agriculture—The bill would permanently extend "income averaging" for farmers, which is scheduled to expire in 2000. Rather than pay high taxes in good years, a farmer would have the option of paying taxes based on a three year average. Farmers also could reduce their tax burden by applying an operating loss in one year to their taxable income in any one of five past years, or to a future year. Under current law, they can apply it to two past years or to a future year. Cost \$126 million. (House tax bill)

D. Business Expensing—Starting in 1999, small-business owners and farmers would be able to deduct up to \$25,000 of the cost of business-related equipment. Under current law, the deduction is limited to \$18,500 and is slated to rise to \$25,000 in 2003. Cost \$1.1 billion. (House tax bill)

E. Expired Credits. Several tax credits that expired this year or would expire next year, including credits for research, work opportunity and welfare-to-work, would be extended through Feb. 29, 2000. The credit for contributions of stock to private foundations would be extended permanently. Cost: \$6.2 billion (House tax bill)

4. Social Security Earnings Test

Senior citizens ages 65 to 69 would be able to earn up to \$17,000 in 1999 without losing a portion of their Social Security benefits. The earnings limit would gradually rise to \$30,000 in 2002 and \$39,750 in 2008. Current law permits the earnings limit to increase to \$37,948 in 2008, but at a slower pace. Cost: \$550 million (House tax bill)

5. House Loophole Closer

The amendment retains a provision in the House bill that closes tax loopholes related to certain liquidations of real estate investment trusts and regulated investment companies.

6. Tax Reductions Effective When Social Security is Saved

The bill's provisions would become effective when the Social Security Trust Fund achieves long-range actuarial balance. \bullet

INTERNET TAX FREEDOM ACT

HUTCHINSON (AND MCCAIN) AMENDMENT NO. 3748

Mr. HUTCHINSON (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill, S. 442, supra; as follows:

At the end of the amendment, add the following:

On page 24, strike line 5 and insert the following: communications services; and

(F) an examination of the effects of taxation, including the absence of taxation, on all interstate sales transactions, including transactions using the Internet, on local retail businesses and on State and local governments, which examination may include a review of the efforts of State and local governments to collect sales and use taxes owed on in-State purchases from out-of-State sellers.

NATIONAL FISH AND WILDLIFE FOUNDATION ESTABLISHMENT ACT AMENDMENTS OF 1998

CHAFEE AMENDMENT NO. 3749

Ms. SNOWE (for Mr. CHAFEE) proposed an amendment to the bill (S. 2095) to reauthorize and amend the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act; as follows:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the ''National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act Amendments of 1998''.

SEC. 2. PURPOSES.

Section 2(b) of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act (16 U.S.C. 3701(b)) is amended by striking paragraph (1) and inserting the following:

"(1) to encourage, accept, and administer private gifts of property for the benefit of, or in connection with, the activities and services of the Department of the Interior or the Department of Commerce, particularly the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, to further the conservation and management of fish, wildlife, and plant resources;".

SEC. 3. BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FOUNDA-TION.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT AND MEMBERSHIP.—Section 3 of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act (16 U.S.C. 3702) is amended by striking subsection (a) and inserting the following:

"(a) ESTABLISHMENT AND MEMBERSHIP.-

"(1) IN GENERAL.—The Foundation shall have a governing Board of Directors (referred to in this Act as the 'Board'), which shall consist of 25 Directors appointed in accordance with subsection (b), each of whom shall be a United States citizen.

"(2) REPRESENTATION OF DIVERSE POINTS OF VIEW.—To the maximum extent practicable, the membership of the Board shall represent diverse points of view relating to conservation and management of fish, wildlife, and plants.

"(3) NOT FEDERAL EMPLOYEES.—Appointment as a Director of the Foundation shall not constitute employment by, or the holding of an office of, the United States for the purpose of any Federal law.".

(b) APPOINTMENT AND TERMS.—Section 3 of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act (16 U.S.C. 3702) is amended by striking subsection (b) and inserting the following:

"(b) APPOINTMENT AND TERMS.—

"(1) AGENCY HEADS.—The Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere shall be Directors of the Foundation.

"(2) APPOINTMENTS BY THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subparagraph (B), after consulting with the Secretary of Commerce and considering the recommendations submitted by the Board, the Secretary of the Interior shall appoint 23 Directors who meet the criteria established by subsection (a), of whom—

(i) at least 6 shall be knowledgeable or experienced in fish and wildlife conservation;

"(ii) at least 4 shall be educated or experienced in the principles of fish and wildlife management; and

"(iii) at least 4 shall be knowledgeable or experienced in ocean and coastal resource conservation.

"(B) TRANSITION PROVISION.—

"(i) CONTINUATION OF TERMS.—The 15 Directors serving on the Board as of the date of enactment of this paragraph shall continue to serve until the expiration of their terms.

"(ii) NEW DIRECTORS.—The Secretary of the Interior shall appoint 8 new Directors; to the maximum extent practicable those appointments shall be made not later than 45 calendar days after the date of enactment of this paragraph.

(3) TERMS.-

"(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subparagraph (B), each Director (other than a Director described in paragraph (1)) shall be appointed for a term of 6 years.

"(B) INITIAL APPOINTMENTS TO NEW MEMBER POSITIONS.—Of the Directors appointed by the Secretary of the Interior under paragraph (2)(B)(ii), the Secretary shall appoint—

"(i) 2 Directors for a term of 2 years; "(ii) 3 Directors for a term of 4 years; and

"(iii) 3 Directors for a term of 6 years.

"(4) VACANCIES.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Interior shall fill a vacancy on the Board; to the maximum extent practicable the vacancy shall be filled not later than 45 calendar days after the occurrence of the vacancy.

"(B) TERM OF APPOINTMENTS TO FILL UNEX-PIRED TERMS.—An individual appointed to fill a vacancy that occurs before the expiration of the term of a Director shall be appointed for the remainder of the term.

"(5) REAPPOINTMENT.—An individual (other than an individual described in paragraph (1)) shall not serve more than 2 consecutive terms as a Director, excluding any term of less than 6 years.".

(c) PROCEDURAL MATTERS.—Section 3 of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act (16 U.S.C. 3702) is amended by adding at the end the following:

"(h) PROCEDURAL MATTERS.—The Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.) shall not apply to the Foundation.".

(d) TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.-

(1) Section 4(c)(5) of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act (16 U.S.C. 3703(c)(5)) is amended by striking "Directors of the Board" and inserting "Directors of the Foundation".

(2) Section 6 of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act (16 U.S.C. 3705) is amended by striking "Secretary" and inserting "Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of Commerce".

(3) Section 6 of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act (16 U.S.C. 3705) is amended by inserting "or the Department of Commerce" after "Department of the Interior".

SEC. 4. RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE FOUN-DATION.

(a) PRINCIPAL OFFICE OF THE FOUNDATION.— Section 4(a)(3) of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act (16 U.S.C. 3703(a)(3)) is amended by inserting after "the District of Columbia" the following: "or in a county in the State of Maryland or Virginia that borders on the District of Columbia".

(b) INVESTMENT AND DEPOSIT OF FEDERAL FUNDS.—Section 4(c) of the National Fish