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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. Wyden introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Entrepreneurship Pro-
- 5 motion Act of 1994".

1	SEC. 2. ROLLOVER OF GAIN FROM SALE OF ELIGIBLE
2	SMALL BUSINESS STOCK INTO OTHER ELIGI-
3	BLE SMALL BUSINESS STOCK.
4	(a) IN GENERAL.—Part III of subchapter O of chap-
5	ter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to
6	common nontaxable exchanges) is amended by adding at
7	the end the following new section:
8	"SEC. 1045. ROLLOVER OF GAIN FROM SALE OF ELIGIBLE
9	SMALL BUSINESS STOCK INTO OTHER ELIGI-
10	BLE SMALL BUSINESS STOCK.
11	"(a) Nonrecognition of Gain.—In the case of the
12	sale of any eligible small business stock with respect to
13	which the taxpayer elects the application of this section,
14	gain from such sale shall be recognized only to the extent
15	that the amount realized on such sale exceeds—
16	"(1) the cost of any other eligible small busi-
17	ness stock purchased (as defined by section
18	1043(b)(4)) by the taxpayer during the 18-month
19	period beginning on the date of such sale, reduced
20	by
21	"(2) any portion of such cost previously taken
22	into account under this section.
23	This section shall not apply to any gain which is treated
24	as ordinary income for purposes of this subtitle.
25	"(b) Eligible Small Business Stock.—For pur-
26	poses of this section—

- "(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise provided in this section, the term 'eligible small business stock' means any stock in a C corporation if—
 - "(A) as of the date of issuance, such corporation is an eligible small business, and
 - "(B) such stock is acquired by the taxpayer at its original issue (directly or through an underwriter) in exchange for money or other property (not including stock).
 - "(2) Active business requirement.—Subsection (a) shall not apply to the sale of any eligible small business stock unless, during substantially all of the taxpayer's holding period for such stock, the corporation meets the active business requirements of subsection (d) and such corporation is a C corporation. For purposes of the preceding sentence, a rule similar to the rule of section 1202(c)(2)(B) shall apply.
 - "(3) Special rule for stock issued by s corporations.—In the case of stock which, as of the date of the sale to which subsection (a) applies, is stock of an eligible small business but which, as of the date of issuance, was not stock of an eligible small business solely by reason of the fact that the corporation was an S corporation—

1	"(A) such stock shall be treated as meeting
2	the requirement of paragraph (1)(A), but
3	"(B) subsection (a) shall not apply to so
4	much of the gain which is attributable to the
5	period before such stock became stock of an eli-
6	gible small business.
7	"(4) CERTAIN PURCHASES BY CORPORATION OF
8	ITS OWN STOCK.—Rules similar to the rules of sec-
9	tion 1202(c)(3) shall apply for purposes of this sub-
10	section.
11	"(c) Eligible Small Business.—For purposes of
12	this section, the term 'eligible small business' means any
13	domestic corporation which is a C corporation if the aggre-
14	gate annual gross receipts of such corporation (or any
15	predecessor thereof) for all taxable years ending before the
16	date of issuance did not exceed \$20,000,000. For purposes
17	of the preceding sentence, rules similar to the rules of
18	paragraphs (2) and (3) of section 448(c) shall apply.
19	"(d) ACTIVE BUSINESS REQUIREMENT.—For pur-
20	poses of subsection $(b)(2)$, the requirements of this sub-
21	section are met by a corporation for any period if during
22	such period—
23	"(1) at least 80 percent (by value) of the assets
24	of such corporation are used by such corporation in

1	the active conduct of 1 or more trades or businesses,
2	and
3	"(2) such corporation is an eligible corporation
4	(as defined in section 1202(e)(4)).
5	For purposes of the preceding sentence, a rules similar
6	to the rules of paragraphs (2), (5), (6), (7) and (8) of
7	section 1202(e) shall apply.
8	"(e) Basis Adjustments.—If gain from any sale is
9	not recognized by reason of subsection (a), such gain shall
10	be applied to reduce (in the order acquired) the basis for
11	determining gain or loss of any eligible small business
12	stock purchased by the taxpayer during the 18-month pe-
13	riod described in subsection (a). This subsection shall not
14	apply for purposes of section 1202.
15	"(f) Statute of Limitations.—If any gain is real-
16	ized by the taxpayer on any sale to which an election under
17	this section applies, then—
18	"(1) the statutory period for the assessment of
19	any deficiency with respect to such gain shall not ex-
20	pire before the expiration of 3 years from the date
21	the Secretary is notified by the taxpayer (in such
22	manner as the Secretary may by regulations pre-
23	scribe) of—
24	"(A) the taxpayer's cost of purchasing any
25	eligible small business stock,

1	"(B) the taxpayer's intention not to pur-
2	chase such stock within the reinvestment pe-
3	riod, or
4	"(C) a failure to make such purchase with-
5	in the reinvestment period, and
6	"(2) such deficiency may be assessed before the
7	expiration of such 3-year period notwithstanding the
8	provisions of any law or rule of law which would oth-
9	erwise prevent such assessment."
10	(b) Conforming Amendment.—Paragraph (24) of
11	section 1016(a) of such Code is amended—
12	(1) by striking "or 1044" and inserting ",
13	1044, or 1045", and
14	(2) by striking "or 1044(d)" and inserting ",
15	1044(d), or 1045(e)".
16	(c) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
17	for part III of subchapter O of chapter 1 of such Code
18	is amended by adding at the end the following new item:
	"Sec. 1045. Rollover of gain from sale of eligible small business stock into other eligible small business stock."
19	(d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
20	this section shall apply to sales on and after the date of
21	the enactment of this Act, in taxable years ending on and
22	after such date.