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H.R. 1836

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

May 16 (legislative day, May 15), 2001 Received; read twice and placed on the calendar

AN ACT

To provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 104 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2002.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

2 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; ETC. 2 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the 3 "Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 4 2001". 5 (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 9 shall be considered to be made to a section or other provision of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. 10 (c) Section 15 Not To Apply.—No amendment 11 made by section 2 shall be treated as a change in a rate 13 of tax for purposes of section 15 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. SEC. 2. REDUCTION IN INCOME TAX RATES FOR INDIVID-16 UALS. 17 (a) In General.—Section 1 is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection: 18

- 19 "(i) RATE REDUCTIONS AFTER 2000.— 20 "(1) New lowest rate bracket.—
- 21 "(A) IN GENERAL.—In the case of taxable 22 vears beginning after December 31, 2000—
- 23 "(i) the rate of tax under subsections 24 (a), (b), (c), and (d) on taxable income not 25 over the initial bracket amount shall be 12

1	percent (as modified by paragraph (2)),
2	and
3	"(ii) the 15 percent rate of tax shall
4	apply only to taxable income over the ini-
5	tial bracket amount.
6	"(B) INITIAL BRACKET AMOUNT.—For
7	purposes of this subsection, the initial bracket
8	amount is—
9	"(i) \$12,000 in the case of subsection
10	(a),
11	"(ii) \$10,000 in the case of subsection
12	(b), and
13	"(iii) ½ the amount applicable under
14	clause (i) in the case of subsections (c) and
15	(d).
16	"(C) Inflation adjustment.—In pre-
17	scribing the tables under subsection (f) which
18	apply with respect to taxable years beginning in
19	calendar years after 2001—
20	"(i) the Secretary shall make no ad-
21	justment to the initial bracket amount for
22	any taxable year beginning before January
23	1, 2007,
24	"(ii) the cost-of-living adjustment
25	used in making adjustments to the initial

bracket amount for any taxable year beginning after December 31, 2006, shall be determined under subsection (f)(3) by substituting '2005' for '1992' in subparagraph (B) thereof, and

"(iii) such adjustment shall not apply

"(iii) such adjustment shall not apply to the amount referred to in subparagraph (B)(iii).

If any amount after adjustment under the preceding sentence is not a multiple of \$50, such amount shall be rounded to the next lowest multiple of \$50.

"(2) REDUCTIONS IN RATES AFTER 2001.—In the case of taxable years beginning in a calendar year after 2001, the corresponding percentage specified for such calendar year in the following table shall be substituted for the otherwise applicable tax rate in the tables under subsections (a), (b), (c), (d), and, to the extent applicable, (e).

"In the case of taxable years beginning during calendar year:	The corresponding percentages shall be substituted for the following percentages:				
	12%	28%	31%	36%	39.6%
2002	12%	27%	30%	35%	38%
2003	11%	27%	29%	35%	37%
2004	11%	26%	28%	34%	36%
2005	11%	26%	27%	34%	35%
2006 and thereafter	10%	25%	25%	33%	33%

1	"(3) Adjustment of tables.—The Secretary
2	shall adjust the tables prescribed under subsection
3	(f) to carry out this subsection.".
4	(b) Repeal of Reduction of Refundable Tax
5	Credits.—
6	(1) Subsection (d) of section 24 is amended by
7	striking paragraph (2) and redesignating paragraph
8	(3) as paragraph (2).
9	(2) Section 32 is amended by striking sub-
10	section (h).
11	(c) Conforming Amendments.—
12	(1) Subparagraph (B) of section $1(g)(7)$ is
13	amended—
14	(A) by striking "15 percent" in clause
15	(ii)(II) and inserting "the first bracket percent-
16	age"; and
17	(B) by adding at the end the following
18	flush sentence:
19	"For purposes of clause (ii), the first bracket
20	percentage is the percentage applicable to the
21	lowest income bracket in the table under sub-
22	section (c).".
23	(2) Section 1(h) is amended—

1	(A) by striking "28 percent" both places it				
2	appears in paragraphs $(1)(A)(ii)(I)$ and				
3	(1)(B)(i) and inserting "25 percent"; and				
4	(B) by striking paragraph (13).				
5	(3) Section 15 is amended by adding at the end				
6	the following new subsection:				
7	"(f) RATE REDUCTIONS ENACTED BY ECONOMIC				
8	GROWTH AND TAX RELIEF RECONCILIATION ACT OF				
9	2001.—This section shall not apply to any change in rates				
10	under subsection (i) of section 1 (relating to rate reduc-				
11	tions after 2000).".				
12	(4) Section 531 is amended by striking "equal				
13	to" and all that follows and inserting "equal to the				
14	product of the highest rate of tax under section 1(c)				
15	and the accumulated taxable income.".				
16	(5) Section 541 is amended by striking "equal				
17	to" and all that follows and inserting "equal to the				
18	product of the highest rate of tax under section 1(c)				
19	and the undistributed personal holding company in				
20	come.".				
21	(6) Section 3402(p)(1)(B) is amended by strik-				
22	ing "7, 15, 28, or 31 percent" and inserting "7 per-				
23	cent, any percentage applicable to any of the 3 low-				
24	est income brackets in the table under section				
25	1(c),".				

- 1 (7) Section 3402(p)(2) is amended by striking 2 "equal to 15 percent of such payment" and inserting 3 "equal to the product of the lowest rate of tax under 4 section 1(c) and such payment".
 - (8) Section 3402(q)(1) is amended by striking "equal to 28 percent of such payment" and inserting "equal to the product of the third to the lowest rate of tax under section 1(c) and such payment".
 - (9) Section 3402(r)(3) is amended by striking "31 percent" and inserting "the third to the lowest rate of tax under section 1(c)".
 - (10) Section 3406(a)(1) is amended by striking "equal to 31 percent of such payment" and inserting "equal to the product of the third to the lowest rate of tax under section 1(c) and such payment".
 - (11) Section 13273 of the Revenue Reconciliation Act of 1993 is amended by striking "28 percent" and inserting "the third to the lowest rate of tax under section 1(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986".

(d) Effective Dates.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), the amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2000.

1	(2) Amendments to withholding provi-						
2	SIONS.—The amendments made by paragraphs (6),						
3	(7), (8), (9), (10), and (11) of subsection (c) shall						
4	apply to amounts paid after the 60th day after the						
5	date of the enactment of this Act.						
6	SEC. 3. PROTECTION OF SOCIAL SECURITY AND MEDICARE						
7	The amounts transferred to any trust fund under the						
8	Social Security Act shall be determined as if this Act had						
9	not been enacted.						
	Passed the House of Representatives May 16, 2001.						
	Attest: JEFF TRANDAHL,						
	Clerk.						

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