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To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax credit for elementary and secondary school teachers.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 31, 2001

Mr. PAUL (for himself, Mr. BAKER, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. ISAKSON, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. SCHAFFER, Mr. RADANOVICH, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, and Mr. UPTON) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax credit for elementary and secondary school teachers.

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 "Teacher Tax Cut Act5 of 2001".

6 SEC. 2. CREDIT FOR TEACHERS OF ELEMENTARY OR SEC7 ONDARY SCHOOLS.

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subpart A of part IV of sub-9 chapter A of chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of

1 1986 (relating to nonrefundable personal credits) is
2 amended by inserting after section 25A the following new
3 section:

4 "SEC. 25B. ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACH5 ERS.

6 "(a) ALLOWANCE OF CREDIT.—In the case of an eli7 gible individual, there shall be allowed as a credit against
8 the tax imposed by this chapter for a taxable year an
9 amount equal to \$1,000.

10 "(b) Definitions

11 "(1) ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUAL.—

12 "(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in
13 subparagraph (B), for purposes of subsection
14 (a), the term 'eligible individual' means an indi15 vidual who—

16 "(i) is a teacher in an elementary or17 secondary school, and

18 "(ii) is employed on a full-time basis
19 for an academic year ending during the
20 taxable year.

21 "(B) EXCLUDED INDIVIDUALS.—Such
22 term does not include an individual who is em23 ployed, on a full-time basis for such academic
24 year, as other staff, as that term is defined in
25 section 14101(20) of the Elementary and Sec-

ondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.
 8801(20)).

3 "(2) ELEMENTARY OR SECONDARY SCHOOL.—
4 The term 'elementary or secondary school' means
5 any school which provides elementary education or
6 secondary education (through grade 12), as deter7 mined under State law.

8 "(c) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall prescribe 9 regulations to carry out this section, including regulations 10 providing for claiming the credit under this section on 11 Form 1040EZ."

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
for subpart A of part IV of subchapter A of chapter 1
of such Code is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 25A the following new item:

"Sec. 25B. Elementary and secondary school teachers.".

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
December 31, 2000.