

## HR 1308

Working Families Tax Relief Act of 2004

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### Sponsor

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**Party:** Republican • **State:** CA • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 18, 2003

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Taxation

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 HR 5395	Related bill	<b>Nov 19, 2004:</b> Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
108 S 3019	Related bill	<b>Nov 19, 2004:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
108 HRES 794	Procedurally related	<b>Sep 23, 2004:</b> Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
108 HRES 270	Related bill	<b>Jun 12, 2003:</b> Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

**(This measure has not been amended since the Conference Report was filed in the House on September 23, 2004. The summary of that version is repeated here.)**

Working Families Tax Relief Act of 2004 - **Title I: Extension of Family Tax Provisions** - Amends the Internal Revenue Code (Code) to repeal: (1) the scheduled reductions, in 2005 through 2009, of the \$1,000 child tax credit; (2) the scheduled reductions, in 2005 through 2008, of the standard deduction for married taxpayers; (3) the scheduled reductions, in 2005 through 2007, of the threshold taxable income level applicable to married taxpayers eligible for the 15 percent tax bracket; (4) the reduction, for taxable years between 2005 and 2008, of the threshold taxable income level applicable to married taxpayers eligible for the ten percent tax bracket. Provides for an inflation adjustment to the threshold taxable income level for the ten percent tax bracket.

(Sec. 102) Repeals the scheduled reduction (15 to 10 percent) for taxable years beginning before January 1, 2005, of the refundability of the child tax credit.

(Sec. 103) Extends through 2005 the increased exemption from the alternative minimum tax for individual taxpayers.

(Sec. 104) Treats combat zone compensation (otherwise excludable from gross income) as earned income for purposes of calculating the refundable portion of the child tax credit. Allows taxpayers to elect, in 2004 and 2005, to treat combat zone compensation as earned income for purposes of the earned income tax credit.

(Sec. 105) Provides that the amendments made by this title shall be subject to the sunset provisions of the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001 (i.e., December 31, 2010).

**Title II: Uniform Definition of Child** - Redefines "dependent" to mean: (1) a qualifying child; or (2) a qualifying relative, for purposes of applying the dependency exemption, the child tax credit, the earned income tax credit, the dependent care tax credit, and the head of household filing status. Sets forth a test for determining whether a child is a qualifying child based upon: (1) relationship of the child to the taxpayer; (2) residence of the child with the taxpayer for more than one-half of the taxable year; and (3) age of the child. Sets forth a similar test for qualifying relatives.

Sets forth exceptions and special rules applicable to: (1) handicapped dependents; (2) divorced parents; (3) adopted children; and (4) missing children.

**Title III: Extensions of Certain Expiring Provisions** - Extends through 2005 the following expiring tax provisions: (1) the tax credit for increasing research activities; (2) the work opportunity tax credit; (3) the welfare-to-work tax credit; (4) the authority for issuance of qualified zone academy bonds; (5) the charitable deduction for donations by corporations of computer technology and equipment used for educational purposes; (6) the tax deduction for certain expenses of elementary and secondary school teachers; (7) the expensing of environmental remediation costs; (8) the designation of a District of Columbia enterprise zone, the authority to issue tax-exempt economic development bonds within a District of Columbia Enterprise Zone, the exclusion of gain from the sale or exchange of a District of Columbia Enterprise Zone asset held for more than five years, and the tax credit for first-time District of Columbia home buyers; (9) the authority for disclosures of taxpayer identity information to States under the combined Federal and State employment tax reporting program; (10) the allowance of certain nonrefundable tax credits against income and alternative minimum tax liabilities; (11) the placed-in-service dates relating to certain facilities (i.e., wind, closed-loop biomass, and poultry waste facilities) for purposes of the tax credit for producing electricity from certain renewable resources; (12) the suspension of the taxable income limit on percentage depletion for oil and natural gas from marginal properties; (13) the Indian employment

tax credit; (14) accelerated depreciation for certain business property on Indian Reservations; (15) the authority for disclosing certain tax return information to the Department of Education for taxpayers seeking student loan repayment plans based on income; (16) the authority of the Secretary of the Treasury to disclose taxpayer return information that may be related to terrorism. Specifies that a taxpayer's identity shall not be treated as nondisclosable taxpayer return information for purposes of disclosures related to terrorism; (17) certain eligibility provisions for Archer medical savings (MSA) accounts. Treats the report of the MSA Trustee due on August 1, 2004, as timely if made before the close of the 90-day period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act.

(Sec. 302) Extends through December 31, 2005, provisions of the Code, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and the Public Health Service Act requiring parity in the application of group health plan limits to mental health benefits.

(Sec. 305) Extends until January 1, 2006, the increased amount (\$13.25, instead of \$10.50) of excise tax on distilled spirits required to be paid back (covered) to the Treasuries of Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

(Sec. 309) Extends through 2009 the authority to issue New York Liberty Bonds and, through 2005, advanced refundings for such bonds.

(Sec. 318) Eliminates, in 2004 and 2005, the partial phase-out of the tax credit for qualified electric vehicles and the partial phase-out for the tax deduction for clean-fuel vehicle property.

(Sec. 321) Extends for an additional year (before June 1, 2005) the annual review and report of the Joint Committee on Taxation of the strategic plans and budget for the Internal Revenue Service.

**Title IV: Tax Technical Corrections** - (Sec. 401) Amends provisions of the Code enacted by the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 to exclude: (1) the additional tax on distributions from health savings accounts not used for qualified medical expenses from the definition of regular tax liability for purposes of determining refundability of tax credit amounts; and (2) amounts distributed from health savings accounts for purposes of determining the allowable amount of the tax credit for health insurance costs.

(Sec. 402) Amends provisions of the Code enacted by the Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2003 to: (1) provide that the determination of net capital gains, for purposes of determining the amount taxed at the 25 percent tax rate, is made without regard to qualified dividend income; (2) modify holding period requirements for the dividends-received deduction; (3) apply the tax deduction for estate taxes on income in respect of a decedent to qualified dividend income; (4) apply the extraordinary dividend rule to trust and estates; (5) revise provisions relating to the tax treatment of dividends received from a regulated investment company (RIC) or a real estate investment trust (REIT); and (6) extend the period for notifying shareholders of the amount of qualified dividend income distributed by a RIC or a REIT.

(Sec. 403) Amends provisions of the Code enacted by the Job Creation and Worker Assistance Act of 2002 relating to: (1) bonus depreciation; (2) net operating loss carryback rules; (3) New York Liberty Zone bonus depreciation and expensing rules; (4) interest rates for defined benefit plan funding requirements; and (5) the tax exclusion for employer-provided adoption assistance.

(Sec. 404) Amends provisions of the Code enacted by the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001 relating to: (1) Coverdell education savings accounts; (2) the Indian employment tax credit; and (3) tax-qualified retirement plans.

(Sec. 405) Amends provisions of the Code enacted by the Community Renewal Tax Relief Act of 2000 to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to prescribe regulations relating to the tax treatment of certain securities futures contracts and options.

(Sec. 406) Amends provisions of the Code enacted by the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 relating to: (1) beneficiaries of qualified tuition programs and Coverdell education savings accounts; (2) basis adjustments for qualified zone academy bonds held by S corporations; and (3) the tax treatment of net capital gains under the alternative minimum tax.

(Sec. 407) Amends provisions of the Code enacted by the Business Job Protection Act of 1996 to: (1) provide that any increases to the income of a Subchapter S corporation resulting from an audit during the corporation's 120-day post-termination transition period shall not cover losses of the corporation carried over from a previous taxable year; and (2) allow tax-free distributions by an S corporation during the 120-day period only to the extent of any increase in the corporation's accumulated adjustments account resulting from an audit.

Provides that the amendments made by this title shall take effect as if included in the Act in which they were originally enacted.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Oct 4, 2004:** Signed by President.
- **Oct 4, 2004:** Became Public Law No: 108-311.
- **Sep 29, 2004:** Presented to President.
- **Sep 23, 2004:** Conference committee actions: Conferees agreed to file conference report.
- **Sep 23, 2004:** Conferees agreed to file conference report.
- **Sep 23, 2004:** Conference report filed: Conference report H. Rept. 108-696 filed.(text of conference report: CR H7479-7509)
- **Sep 23, 2004:** Conference report H. Rept. 108-696 filed. (text of conference report: CR H7479-7509)
- **Sep 23, 2004:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 794 Reported to House. Rule provides for consideration of the conference report to H.R. 1308. All points of order against the conference report and against its consideration are waived. The conference report shall be considered as read.
- **Sep 23, 2004:** Rule H. Res. 794 passed House.
- **Sep 23, 2004:** Mr. Thomas brought up conference report H. Rept. 108-696 for consideration under the provisions of H. Res. 794. (consideration: CR H7531-7540)
- **Sep 23, 2004:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on the conference report on H.R. 1308.
- **Sep 23, 2004:** Conference report agreed to in House: On agreeing to the conference report Agreed to by recorded vote: 339 - 65 (Roll no. 472).
- **Sep 23, 2004:** Motions to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 23, 2004:** On agreeing to the conference report Agreed to by recorded vote: 339 - 65 (Roll no. 472).
- **Sep 23, 2004:** Conference report agreed to in Senate: Senate agreed to conference report by Yea-Nay Vote. 92 - 3. Record Vote Number: 188.(consideration: CR S9560-9580)
- **Sep 23, 2004:** Senate agreed to conference report by Yea-Nay Vote. 92 - 3. Record Vote Number: 188. (consideration: CR S9560-9580)
- **Sep 22, 2004:** Mr. Moore moved that the House instruct conferees. (consideration: CR H7399-7404; text: CR H7399)
- **Sep 22, 2004:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on the motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1308.
- **Sep 22, 2004:** The previous question was ordered without objection.
- **Sep 22, 2004:** POSTPONED VOTE - At the conclusion of debate on the motion to instruct conferees, the Chair put the question on adoption of the motion and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Moore demanded the yeas and nays and the Chair postponed further proceedings until Thursday, September 23, 2004.
- **Sep 21, 2004:** Conference committee actions: Conference held.
- **Sep 21, 2004:** Conference held.
- **Sep 9, 2004:** On motion that the House instruct conferees Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 203 - 216 (Roll no. 432). (consideration: CR H6921)
- **Sep 9, 2004:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 8, 2004:** Mr. Hill moved that the House instruct conferees. (consideration: CR H6859-6865)
- **Sep 8, 2004:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on the Hill motion to instruct conferees. The instructions contained in the motion seek to require the managers on the part of the House to agree, to the maximum extent possible within the scope of conference, to a conference report that (1) extends the tax relief provisions which expire at the end of 2004, and (2) does not increase the Federal budget deficit.
- **Sep 8, 2004:** POSTPONED ROLL CALL VOTE - At the conclusion of debate on the Hill motion to instruct conferees, the Chair put the question on adoption of the motion and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Hill demanded the yeas and nays and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the adoption of the motion until Thursday, September 9, 2004.
- **Jul 22, 2004:** On motion that the House instruct conferees Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 198 - 222 (Roll no. 421). (consideration: CR H6677-6678)
- **Jul 22, 2004:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 20, 2004:** Mr. Stenholm moved that the House instruct conferees. (consideration: CR H6101-6104)
- **Jul 20, 2004:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on the Stenholm motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1308.
- **Jul 20, 2004:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Stenholm motion to instruct the Chair put the question on adoption of the motion and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Stenholm

demanded the yeas and nays and made a point of no quorum. The Chair postponed further proceedings on the question and the point of no quorum was considered as withdrawn.

- **Jul 19, 2004:** NOTICE OF INTENT TO OFFER MOTION TO INSTRUCT - Mr. Stenholm notified the House of his intention to offer a motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1308. The instructions contained in the motion seek to require the managers on the part of the House to agree, to the maximum extent possible within the scope of conference, to a conference report that--(1) extends the tax relief provisions which expire at the end of 2004, and (2) does not increase the Federal budget deficit.
- **Nov 6, 2003:** On motion that the House instruct conferees Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 197 - 207 (Roll no. 614). (consideration: CR H10511-10512)
- **Nov 6, 2003:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Nov 5, 2003:** Mr. Becerra moved that the House instruct conferees. (consideration: CR H10434-10438; text: CR H10434)
- **Nov 5, 2003:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on the Becerra motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1308.
- **Nov 5, 2003:** The previous question was ordered without objection.
- **Nov 5, 2003:** POSTPONED ROLL CALL VOTE - At the conclusion of debate on the Becerra motion to instruct conferees, the Chair put the question on adoption of the motion and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Becerra demanded the yeas and nays and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the question of adoption of the motion until a later time.
- **Oct 28, 2003:** On motion that the House instruct conferees Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 197 - 208 (Roll no. 572). (consideration: CR H9966-9967)
- **Oct 28, 2003:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Oct 21, 2003:** Ms. Woolsey moved that the House instruct conferees. (consideration: CR H9784-9787; text: CR H9784)
- **Oct 21, 2003:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on the Woolsey motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1308.
- **Oct 21, 2003:** POSTPONED ROLL CALL VOTE - At the conclusion of debate on the Woolsey motion to instruct conferees, the Speaker put the question on adoption of the motion and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Ms. Woolsey demanded the yeas and nays and the Speaker postponed further proceedings on the adoption of the motion until a later time.
- **Oct 15, 2003:** On motion that the House instruct conferees Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 203 - 204 (Roll no. 541). (consideration: CR H9441)
- **Oct 15, 2003:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Oct 8, 2003:** Mr. Crowley moved that the House instruct conferees. (consideration: CR H9346-9349; text: CR H9346)
- **Oct 8, 2003:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on the Crowley motion to instruct conferees which was noticed in the Congressional Record on Tuesday, October 7, 2003.
- **Oct 8, 2003:** The previous question was ordered without objection.
- **Oct 8, 2003:** POSTPONED ROLL CALL VOTE - At the conclusion debate on the Crowley motion to instruct conferees, the Chair put the question on adoption of the motion and by voice vote announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Crowley demanded the yeas and nays and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the question of adoption of the motion until a later time.
- **Oct 1, 2003:** Mr. Davis (AL) moved that the House instruct conferees. (consideration: CR H9067-9071; text: CR H9067)
- **Oct 1, 2003:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on the Davis (AL) motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1308.
- **Oct 1, 2003:** The previous question was ordered without objection.
- **Oct 1, 2003:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At conclusion of debate on the Davis (AL) motion to instruct conferees, the Chair put the question on adoption of the motion and by voice vote, announced that the ayes had prevailed. Mr. Davis (AL) demanded the yeas and nays and the Chair postponed further proceedings on adoption of the motion until later in the legislative day.
- **Oct 1, 2003:** On motion that the House instruct conferees Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 207 - 219 (Roll no. 529). (consideration: CR H9072-9073)
- **Oct 1, 2003:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 30, 2003:** On motion that the House instruct conferees Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 202 - 207 (Roll no. 525). (consideration: CR H8990)
- **Sep 30, 2003:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

- **Sep 25, 2003:** Mr. Pallone moved that the House instruct conferees. (consideration: CR H8930-8935; text: CR H8930)
- **Sep 25, 2003:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on the Pallone motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1308.
- **Sep 25, 2003:** The previous question was ordered without objection.
- **Sep 25, 2003:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Pallone motion to instruct conferees, the Chair put the question on adoption of the motion and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Pallone demanded the yeas and nays and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the question of adoption of the motion until a later time.
- **Sep 24, 2003:** NOTICE OF INTENT TO OFFER MOTION TO INSTRUCT - Mr. Pallone notified the House of his intent to offer a motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1308.
- **Sep 23, 2003:** On motion that the House instruct conferees Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 199 - 214 (Roll no. 509). (consideration: CR H8464-8465)
- **Sep 23, 2003:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 17, 2003:** Mr. Ryan (OH) moved that the House instruct conferees. (consideration: CR H8359-8361; text: CR H8359)
- **Sep 17, 2003:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on the Ryan (OH) motion to instruct conferees which was noticed in the Congressional Record on Tuesday, September 16, 2003.
- **Sep 17, 2003:** The previous question was ordered without objection.
- **Sep 17, 2003:** At the conclusion of debate on the Ryan (OH) motion to instruct, the Chair put the question on adoption of the motion and by voice vote, announced that the ayes had prevailed. Mr. Ryan (OH) demanded the yeas and nays and pursuant to a previous order of the House, the Chair postponed further proceedings on the question of adoption of the motion until Tuesday, September 23, 2003.
- **Sep 16, 2003:** NOTICE MOTION TO INSTRUCT CONFEREES - Mr. Ryan of Ohio notified the House of his intention to offer a motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1308.
- **Sep 10, 2003:** On motion that the House instruct conferees Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 206 - 213 (Roll no. 493). (consideration: CR H8117)
- **Sep 10, 2003:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 10, 2003:** Mr. Davis (TN) moved that the House instruct conferees. (consideration: CR 9/11/2003 H8178-8182, H8190; text: CR 9/11/2003 H8178)
- **Sep 10, 2003:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on the Davis (TN) motion to instruct conferees which was noticed in the Congressional Record on Tuesday, September 9, 2003.
- **Sep 10, 2003:** The previous question was ordered without objection.
- **Sep 10, 2003:** At the conclusion of debate on the Davis (TN) motion to instruct, the Chair put the question on adoption of the motion and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Davis (TN) demanded the yeas and nays and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the question of adoption of the motion until later in the legislative day
- **Sep 10, 2003:** On motion that the House instruct conferees Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 195 - 214 (Roll no. 501).
- **Sep 9, 2003:** NOTICE OF MOTION TO INSTRUCT CONFEREES - Mr. Davis of Tennessee notified the House of his intention to offer a motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1308.
- **Sep 5, 2003:** On motion that the House instruct conferees Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 186 - 210 (Roll no. 477). (consideration: CR H7954)
- **Sep 5, 2003:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 5, 2003:** Mr. Ruppertsberger moved that the House instruct conferees. (consideration: CR H7995-8001; text: CR H7995-7996)
- **Sep 5, 2003:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on the Ruppertsberger motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1308.
- **Sep 5, 2003:** The previous question was ordered without objection.
- **Sep 5, 2003:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Ruppertsberger motion, the Chair put the question on adoption of the motion and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Ruppertsberger demanded the yeas and nays and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the question of adoption of the motion until a later time.
- **Sep 4, 2003:** NOTICE OF INTENT TO OFFER MOTION TO INSTRUCT - Mr. Ruppertsberger notified the House of his intent to offer a motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1308.
- **Sep 4, 2003:** Mr. Cooper moved that the House instruct conferees. (consideration: CR H7922, H7930-7936; text: CR H7930-7931)

- **Sep 4, 2003:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on the Cooper motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1308.
- **Sep 4, 2003:** The previous question was ordered without objection.
- **Sep 4, 2003:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Cooper motion to instruct conferees, the Chair put the question on the adoption of the motion and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Cooper demanded the yeas and nays and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the question of adoption of the motion until a later time.
- **Jul 25, 2003:** MOTION TO INSTRUCT CONFEREES - Ms. Solis notified the House of her intention to offer a motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1308.
- **Jul 25, 2003:** Mr. Ross moved that the House instruct conferees.
- **Jul 25, 2003:** On motion that the House instruct conferees Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 202 - 214 (Roll no. 446).
- **Jul 25, 2003:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 25, 2003:** Ms. Solis moved that the House instruct conferees. (consideration: CR H7622-7630)
- **Jul 25, 2003:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on the Solis motion to instruct conferees.
- **Jul 25, 2003:** The previous question was ordered without objection.
- **Jul 25, 2003:** POSTPONED ROLL CALL VOTE - At the conclusion of debate on the Solis motion to instruct conferees, the Speaker put the question on adoption of the motion and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Ms. Solis demanded the yeas and nays and the Speaker postponed further proceedings on the adoption of the motion until a later time.
- **Jul 25, 2003:** On motion that the House instruct conferees Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 206 - 216 (Roll no. 447). (consideration: CR H7644)
- **Jul 25, 2003:** On motion that the House instruct conferees Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 202 - 221 (Roll no. 449). (consideration: CR H7645-7646)
- **Jul 24, 2003:** Mr. Bishop (NY) moved that the House instruct conferees. (consideration: CR H7611-7612)
- **Jul 24, 2003:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on the Bishop (NY) motion to instruct conferees.
- **Jul 24, 2003:** POSTPONED ROLL CALL VOTE - At the conclusion of debate on the Bishop (NY) motion to instruct conferees, the Speaker put the question on adoption of the motion and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Bishop (NY) demanded the yeas and nays and the Speaker postponed further proceedings on the question of adoption of the motion until a time to be announced.
- **Jul 22, 2003:** Mr. Ross moved that the House instruct conferees.
- **Jul 22, 2003:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on the Ross motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1308.
- **Jul 22, 2003:** POSTPONED ROLL CALL VOTE - At the conclusion of debate on the Ross motion to instruct conferees, the Speaker put the question on adoption of the motion and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Ross demanded the yeas and nays and the Speaker postponed further proceedings on the adoption of the motion until a later time.
- **Jul 21, 2003:** On motion that the House instruct conferees Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 193 - 212 (Roll no. 398). (text: CR H7158)
- **Jul 21, 2003:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 18, 2003:** Mr. Bell moved that the House instruct conferees. (consideration: CR H7106-7112; text: CR H7106-7107)
- **Jul 18, 2003:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on the Bell motion to instruct conferees to H.R. 1308.
- **Jul 18, 2003:** The previous question was ordered without objection.
- **Jul 18, 2003:** POSTPONED VOTE - At the conclusion of debate on the Bell motion to instruct conferees the Chair put the question on the motion and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Bell asked for the yeas and nays and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the motion to instruct until a later time.
- **Jul 18, 2003:** On motion that the House instruct conferees Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 188 - 201 (Roll no. 396). (consideration: CR H7147-7148)
- **Jul 18, 2003:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 18, 2003:** Mr. Van Hollen moved that the House instruct conferees. (consideration: CR H7158-7162)
- **Jul 18, 2003:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on the Van Hollen motion to instruct conferees.
- **Jul 18, 2003:** POSTPONED VOTE - At the conclusion of debate on the Van Hollen motion to instruct conferees the

Chair put the question on the motion and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Van Hollen asked for the yeas and nays and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the motion to instruct until a later time.

- **Jul 17, 2003:** NOTIFICATION OF MOTION TO INSTRUCT CONFEREES - Mr. Van Hollen notified the House of his intention to offer a motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1308.
- **Jul 17, 2003:** On motion that the House instruct conferees Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 202 - 214 (Roll no. 390). (consideration: CR 7/18/2003 H7105-7106; text: CR 7/16/2003 H6985)
- **Jul 17, 2003:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 16, 2003:** On motion that the House instruct conferees Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 206 - 220 (Roll no. 370). (consideration: CR H6903-6904)
- **Jul 16, 2003:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 16, 2003:** NOTIFICATION OF MOTION TO INSTRUCT - Mr. Bell formally notified the House of his intention to offer a motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1308.
- **Jul 16, 2003:** Mr. Michaud moved that the House instruct conferees. (consideration: CR H6985-6990)
- **Jul 16, 2003:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on the Michaud motion to instruct conferees.
- **Jul 16, 2003:** The previous question was ordered without objection.
- **Jul 16, 2003:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Michaud motion to instruct conferees, the Chair put the question on adoption of the motion and by voice vote announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Michaud demanded the yeas and nays and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the question of adoption of the motion until a later time.
- **Jul 15, 2003:** NOTICE OF MOTION TO INSTRUCT - Mr. Michaud formally notified the House of his intention to offer a motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1308.
- **Jul 15, 2003:** Ms. DeLauro moved that the House instruct conferees. (consideration: CR H6826-6834; text: CR H6826)
- **Jul 15, 2003:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on the DeLauro motion to instruct conferees.
- **Jul 15, 2003:** DEBATE - The House continued with debate on the DeLauro motion to instruct conferees.
- **Jul 15, 2003:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the DeLauro motion to instruct conferees, the Chair put the question on adoption of the motion and by voice vote, announced that the yeas had prevailed. Mr. Weller demanded the yeas and nays and the Speaker pro tempore postponed further proceedings on the question of adoption of the motion until a later time.
- **Jun 19, 2003:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Jun 18, 2003:** Senate disagreed to House amendments, agreed to request for conference, and appointed conferees. Grassley; Nickles; Lott; Baucus; Lincoln. (consideration: CR S8013)
- **Jun 16, 2003:** Message on House action received in Senate and at desk: House amendments to Senate amendments and House requests a conference.
- **Jun 12, 2003:** Resolving differences -- House actions: House agreed to Senate amendment to the title. House agreed to Senate amendment to the text with an amendment pursuant to H. Res. 270.(consideration: CR H5330-5342; text as House agreed to Senate amendment: CR H5330-5335)
- **Jun 12, 2003:** House agreed to Senate amendment to the title. House agreed to Senate amendment to the text with an amendment pursuant to H. Res. 270. (consideration: CR H5330-5342; text as House agreed to Senate amendment: CR H5330-5335)
- **Jun 12, 2003:** Mr. Thomas moved that the House insist upon its amendment to the Senate amendment, and request a conference.
- **Jun 12, 2003:** On motion that the House insist upon its amendment to the Senate amendment, and request a conference Agreed to by voice vote.
- **Jun 12, 2003:** Mr. Rangel moved that the House instruct conferees. (consideration: CR H5335-5336)
- **Jun 12, 2003:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on the Rangel motion to instruct conferees. The instructions contained in the motion seek to require the managers on the part of the House to include in the conference report the provision of the Senate amendment that provides immediate payments to taxpayers receiving an additional credit by reason of the bill; the provision of the Senate amendment that provides families of military personnel serving in Iraq, Afghanistan, and other combat zones a child credit based on the earnings of the individuals serving in the combat zone; all of the other provisions of the Senate amendment and shall not report back a conference report that includes additional tax benefits not offset by other provisions; and to include, to the maximum extent possible, within the scope of the conference, other tax benefits for military personnel and the families of the astronauts who died
- **Jun 12, 2003:** The previous question was ordered without objection.

- **Jun 12, 2003:** On motion that the House instruct conferees Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 205 - 201 (Roll no. 275).
- **Jun 12, 2003:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jun 12, 2003:** The Speaker appointed conferees for consideration of the House amendment and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Thomas, DeLay, and Rangel.
- **Jun 9, 2003:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Jun 5, 2003:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S7449-7459)
- **Jun 5, 2003:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment and an amendment to the Title by Voice Vote.(text as passed Senate: CR S7456-7459)
- **Jun 5, 2003:** Passed Senate with an amendment and an amendment to the Title by Voice Vote. (text as passed Senate: CR S7456-7459)
- **Jun 5, 2003:** Senate insists on its amendment, asks for a conference, appoints conferees Grassley; Nickles; Lott; Baucus; Lincoln.
- **Mar 21, 2003:** Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 52.
- **Mar 20, 2003:** Received in the Senate. Read the first time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under Read the First Time.
- **Mar 19, 2003:** Mr. Thomas moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Mar 19, 2003:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H1970-1976)
- **Mar 19, 2003:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 1308.
- **Mar 19, 2003:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H1970-1974)
- **Mar 19, 2003:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H1970-1974)
- **Mar 19, 2003:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Mar 18, 2003:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 18, 2003:** Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

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