



HR 3970

Tax Reduction and Reform Act of 2007

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Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 3996	Related bill	Dec 26, 2007: Became Public Law No: 110-166.
110 S 2432	Related bill	Dec 6, 2007: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
110 S 2318	Related bill	Nov 8, 2007: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 476.
110 HR 4086	Related bill	Nov 6, 2007: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
110 S 2293	Related bill	Nov 2, 2007: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 464.
110 S 2234	Related bill	Nov 1, 2007: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S13652-13653)
110 HR 3879	Related bill	Oct 17, 2007: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
110 HR 3818	Related bill	Oct 10, 2007: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
110 HR 3630	Related bill	Sep 20, 2007: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
110 HR 2782	Related bill	Jun 19, 2007: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
110 S 14	Related bill	Apr 17, 2007: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
110 HR 1366	Related bill	Mar 7, 2007: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
110 S 55	Related bill	Jan 4, 2007: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Tax Reduction and Reform Act of 2007 - Amends Internal Revenue Code provisions relating to individual income tax rates, the alternative minimum tax, partnerships and corporations and extends certain expiring tax credits, deductions, and other tax incentives.

Increases and modifies: (1) the standard tax deduction for individual taxpayers; and (2) the earned income and child tax credits.

Extends the increased alternative minimum tax exemptions for individual taxpayers through 2007. Repeals such tax after 2007. Imposes limitations on the itemized deductions and exemptions of taxpayers with adjusted gross incomes in excess of \$250,000.

Treats partnership income earned for providing investment management services (i.e., carried interest) as ordinary income.

Extends through 2008 various expiring tax provisions primarily affecting individual taxpayers, including: (1) the tax deductions for state and local sales taxes, for qualified tuition and related expenses, for qualified conservation contributions, for certain expenses of elementary and secondary school teachers, and for mortgage insurance premiums; (2) tax-free distributions from individual retirement accounts for charitable purposes; (3) the taxpayer election to include combat pay as earned income for purposes of the earned income tax credit; (4) special rules for qualified mortgage bonds to finance home purchases by veterans; and (5) tax-free distributions from retirement plans for individuals called to active military service.

Extends through 2008 various expiring tax provisions primarily affecting businesses, including: (1) the tax credits for increasing research expenses, for hiring workers on Indian reservations, for investment in new markets, and for railroad track maintenance; (2) accelerated depreciation for qualified leasehold and restaurant improvements, for motorsports entertainment complexes, and for business property on Indian reservations; (3) expensing allowances for environmental remediation costs; (4) tax deductions for contributions of food and book inventories and for computer equipment for educational purposes; and (5) tax incentives for investment in the District of Columbia and American Samoa.

Extends through 2008 authorities for: (1) issuing qualified zone academy bonds; (2) making disclosures of tax information to facilitate student loan repayments, for combating terrorist activities, and for veterans programs purposes; and (3) Internal Revenue Service (IRS) undercover operations.

Reduces the top marginal income tax rate for corporations from 35 to 30.5% and the tax deduction for dividends received by corporations. Repeals various provisions relating to corporate taxation, including the tax deduction for income attributable to domestic production activities, the LIFO and the lower of cost or market accounting methods, interest allocation rules for U.S. corporations with foreign assets, and special rules relating to domestic international sales corporations.

Makes permanent the increased expensing allowance (\$125,000) for small business assets. Increases the amortization period for goodwill and other intangibles from 15 to 20 years.

Sets forth rules for the application of the economic substance doctrine to tax transactions. Imposes enhanced penalties for underpayments of tax due to transactions lacking in economic substance.

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 Oct 25, 2007: Introduced in House Oct 25, 2007: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.