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# H. R. 29

To terminate the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 3, 2017

Mr. GOODLATTE (for himself, Mr. PEARCE, Mr. BOST, Mr. KING of Iowa, Mr. SANFORD, Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina, Mr. MEADOWS, Mr. GOSAR, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. CULBERSON, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mr. HILL, Mr. LOUDERMILK, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. BYRNE, Mr. ROE of Tennessee, Mr. GRIFFITH, Mr. BRAT, Mr. WILLIAMS, Mr. POE of Texas, Mr. HOLDING, Mr. LABRADOR, Mr. OLSON, Mr. LUETKEMEYER, Mr. COLE, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. CALVERT, Mrs. BLACK, Mr. MCCLINTOCK, and Mr. MASSIE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## A BILL

To terminate the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

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 “Tax Code Termination  
5 Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. TERMINATION OF INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF**  
2 **1986.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—No tax shall be imposed by the  
4 Internal Revenue Code of 1986—

5 (1) for any taxable year beginning after Decem-  
6 ber 31, 2021; and

7 (2) in the case of any tax not imposed on the  
8 basis of a taxable year, on any taxable event or for  
9 any period after December 31, 2021.

10 (b) EXCEPTION.—Subsection (a) shall not apply to  
11 taxes imposed by—

12 (1) chapter 2 of such Code (relating to tax on  
13 self-employment income);

14 (2) chapter 21 of such Code (relating to Fed-  
15 eral Insurance Contributions Act); and

16 (3) chapter 22 of such Code (relating to Rail-  
17 road Retirement Tax Act).

18 **SEC. 3. NEW FEDERAL TAX SYSTEM.**

19 (a) STRUCTURE.—The Congress hereby declares that  
20 any new Federal tax system should be a simple and fair  
21 system that—

22 (1) applies a low rate to all Americans;

23 (2) provides tax relief for working Americans;

24 (3) protects the rights of taxpayers and reduces  
25 tax collection abuses;

1           (4) eliminates the bias against savings and in-  
2           vestment;

3           (5) promotes economic growth and job creation;  
4           and

5           (6) does not penalize marriage or families.

6           (b) **TIMING OF IMPLEMENTATION.**—In order to en-  
7           sure an easy transition and effective implementation, the  
8           Congress hereby declares that any new Federal tax system  
9           should be approved by Congress in its final form no later  
10          than July 4, 2021.

11          **SEC. 4. DELAY OF TERMINATION DATES.**

12          (a) **TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY REQUIRED.**—In the  
13          House of Representatives or the Senate, a bill or joint res-  
14          olution, amendment, or conference report carrying a  
15          change of the dates specified in section 2(a) of this Act  
16          may not be considered as passed or agreed to unless so  
17          determined by a vote of not less than two-thirds of the  
18          Members voting, a quorum being present.

19          (b) **RULES OF THE SENATE AND HOUSE.**—The pro-  
20          visions of subsection (a) are enacted by the Congress as  
21          an exercise of the rulemaking power of the House of Rep-  
22          resentatives and the Senate, respectively, and as such they  
23          shall be considered as part of the rules of each House,  
24          respectively, or of that House to which they specifically

- 1 apply, and such rules shall supersede other rules only to
- 2 the extent that they are inconsistent therewith.

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