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SA 221. Mr. DURBIN proposed an amendment to amendment SA 157 proposed by Mr. DEMINT to the bill H.R. 2, supra.

#### TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

**SA 212.** Mr. PRYOR (for himself, Mr. WARNER, and Mrs. LINCOLN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ EARNED INCOME INCLUDES COMBAT PAY.**

(A) EARNED INCOME CREDIT.—Clause (vi) of section 32(c)(2)(B) is amended to read as follows:

“(vi) a taxpayer may elect to treat amounts excluded from gross income by reason of section 112 as earned income.”.

(b) REPEAL OF EGTRRA SUNSET APPLICABILITY.—Section 105 of the Working Families Tax Relief Act of 2004 shall not apply to the amendments made by section 104(b) of such Act.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall apply to taxable years ending after December 31, 2006.

**SA 213.** Ms. LANDRIEU submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 100 proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. BAUCUS) to the bill H.R. 2, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 4, line 21, strike “April 1, 2008” and insert “April 1, 2008 (January 1, 2009, if placed in service in the Gulf Opportunity Zone (as defined in section 1400M(1))”.

**SA 214.** Ms. LANDRIEU submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 100 proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. BAUCUS) to the bill H.R. 2, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 6, lines 5 and 6, strike “April 1, 2008” and insert “April 1, 2008 (January 1, 2009, if placed in service in the Gulf Opportunity Zone (as defined in section 1400M(1))”.

**SA 215.** Mr. HARKIN (for himself and Mrs. MURRAY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 100 proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. BAUCUS) to the bill H.R. 2, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Beginning on page 16, line 1, strike all through page 31, line 8.

**SA 216.** Mr. CARDIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ ALLOWANCE OF DEDUCTION FOR CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS FOR ELECTING SMALL BUSINESS TRUSTS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 641(c)(2)(C) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to modifications) is amended by adding at the end the following new sentence: “The deduction for charitable contributions allowed under clause (i) shall be determined without regard to section 642(c), and the limitations imposed by section 170(b)(1) on the amount of the deduction shall be applied to the electing small business trust as if it were an individual.”.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after the date of the enactment of this Act.

**SA 217.** Mr. COBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of section 3, add the following:

(c) APPLICABILITY TO AMERICAN SAMOA.—Notwithstanding sections 5, 6(a)(3), 8, 10, and 13(e) of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 (29 U.S.C. 205, 206(a)(3), 208, 210, 213(e)), subsections (a) and (b) of this section shall apply to American Samoa in the same manner as such subsections apply to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

**SA 218.** Mr. THUNE (for himself and Mr. VITTER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 100 proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. BAUCUS) to the bill H.R. 2, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ SENSE OF THE SENATE CONCERNING HEALTH INSURANCE FOR SMALL BUSINESSES.**

(a) FINDINGS.—The Senate finds that—

(1) raising the minimum wage may have an impact on small businesses and the number of employees and dependents who are covered by employee based health insurance; and

(2) the cost of health care is rising at an alarming rate and that almost half of the estimated 45,000,000 uninsured Americans are employees of, or are family members of, employees who work for small businesses.

(b) SENSE OF THE SENATE.—It is the Sense of the Senate that, in order to address the issues described in subsection (a), Congress should vote during the first session of the 110th Congress to provide health insurance reforms that allow small businesses to purchase health insurance for their employees.

**SA 219.** Ms. LANDRIEU submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 100 proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. BAUCUS) to the bill H.R. 2, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ REDUCTION IN INCOME TAX WITH-HOLDING DEPOSITS TO REFLECT FICA PAYROLL TAX CREDIT FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYERS LOCATED IN SPECIFIED PORTIONS OF THE GO ZONE DURING 2007.**

(a) GENERAL RULE.—In the case of any applicable calendar quarter—

(1) the aggregate amount of required income tax deposits of an eligible employer for the calendar quarter following the applicable calendar quarter shall be reduced by the payroll tax credit equivalent amount for the applicable calendar quarter, and

(2) the amount of any deduction allowable to the eligible employer under chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 for taxes paid under section 3111 of such Code with respect to employment during the applicable calendar quarter shall be reduced by such payroll tax credit equivalent amount.

For purposes of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, an eligible employer shall be treated as having paid, and an eligible employee shall be treated as having received, any wages or compensation deducted and withheld but not deposited by reason of paragraph (1).

(b) CARRYOVERS OF UNUSED AMOUNTS.—If the payroll tax credit equivalent amount for any applicable calendar quarter exceeds the required income tax deposits for the following calendar quarter—

(1) such excess shall be added to the payroll tax credit equivalent amount for the next applicable calendar quarter, and

(2) in the case of the last applicable calendar quarter, such excess shall be used to reduce required income tax deposits for any succeeding calendar quarter until such excess is used.

(c) PAYROLL TAX CREDIT EQUIVALENT AMOUNT.—For purposes of this section—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The term “payroll tax credit equivalent amount” means, with respect to any applicable calendar quarter, an amount equal to 7.65 percent of the aggregate amount of wages or compensation—

(A) paid or incurred by the eligible employer with respect to employment of eligible employees during the applicable calendar quarter, and

(B) subject to the tax imposed by section 3111 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

(2) TRADE OR BUSINESS REQUIREMENT.—A rule similar to the rule of section 51(f) of such Code shall apply for purposes of this section.

(3) LIMITATION ON WAGES SUBJECT TO CREDIT.—For purposes of this subsection, only wages and compensation of an eligible employee in an applicable calendar quarter, when added to such wages and compensation for any preceding applicable calendar quarter, not exceeding \$10,000 shall be taken into account with respect to such employee.

(d) **ELIGIBLE EMPLOYER; ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEE.**—For purposes of this section—

(1) **ELIGIBLE EMPLOYER.**—

(A) **IN GENERAL.**—The term “eligible employer” means any employer which conducts an active trade or business in any specified portion of the GO Zone and employs not more than 75 full-time employees on the date of the enactment of this Act.

(B) **SPECIFIED PORTION OF THE GO ZONE.**—The term “specified portion of the GO Zone” means any portion of the GO Zone (as defined in section 1400M(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986) which is in any county or parish which is identified by the Secretary of the Treasury as being a county or parish in which hurricanes occurring during 2005 damaged (in the aggregate) more than 60 percent of the housing units in such county or parish which were occupied (determined according to the 2000 Census).

(2) **ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEE.**—The term “eligible employee” means with respect to an eligible employer an employee whose principal place of employment with such eligible employer is in a specified portion of the GO Zone. Such term shall not include an employee described in section 401(c)(1)(A).

(e) **APPLICABLE CALENDAR QUARTER.**—For purposes of this section, the term “applicable calendar quarter” means any of the 4 calendar quarters beginning after date of enactment.

(f) **SPECIAL RULES.**—For purposes of this section—

(1) **REQUIRED INCOME TAX DEPOSITS.**—The term “required income tax deposits” means deposits an eligible employer is required to make under section 6302 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 of taxes such employer is required to deduct and withhold under section 3402 of such Code.

(2) **AGGREGATION RULES.**—Rules similar to the rules of subsections (a) and (b) of section 52 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 shall apply.

(3) **EMPLOYERS NOT ON QUARTERLY SYSTEM.**—The Secretary of the Treasury shall prescribe rules for the application of this section in the case of an eligible employer whose required income tax deposits are not made on a quarterly basis.

(4) **ADJUSTMENTS FOR CERTAIN ACQUISITIONS, ETC.**—Under regulations prescribed by the Secretary—

(A) **ACQUISITIONS.**—If, after December 31, 2006, an employer acquires the major portion of a trade or business of another person (hereafter in this paragraph referred to as the “predecessor”) or the major portion of a separate unit of a trade or business of a predecessor, then, for purposes of applying this section for any calendar quarter ending after such acquisition, the amount of wages or compensation deemed paid by the employer during periods before such acquisition shall be increased by so much of such wages or compensation paid by the predecessor with respect to the acquired trade or business as is attributable to the portion of such trade or business acquired by the employer.

(B) **DISPOSITIONS.**—If, after December 31, 2006—

(i) an employer disposes of the major portion of any trade or business of the employer or the major portion of a separate unit of a trade or business of the employer in a transaction to which paragraph (1) applies, and

(ii) the employer furnishes the acquiring person such information as is necessary for the application of subparagraph (A), then, for purposes of applying this section for any calendar quarter ending after such disposition, the amount of wages or compensation deemed paid by the employer during periods before such disposition shall be decreased by so much of such wages as is at-

tributable to such trade or business or separate unit.

(5) **OTHER RULES.**—

(A) **GOVERNMENT EMPLOYERS.**—This section shall not apply if the employer is the Government of the United States, the government of any State or political subdivision of the State, or any agency or instrumentality of any such government.

(B) **TREATMENT OF OTHER ENTITIES.**—Rules similar to the rules of subsections (d) and (e) of section 52 of such Code shall apply for purposes of this section.

**SA 220.** Mr. COLEMAN (for himself and Mr. SMITH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 100 proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. BAUCUS) to the bill H.R. 2, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Beginning on page 31, line 9, strike all through page 39, line 10, and insert the following:

**PART II—SUBCHAPTER S PROVISIONS**

**SEC. 211. CAPITAL GAIN OF S CORPORATION NOT TREATED AS PASSIVE INVESTMENT INCOME.**

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 1362(d)(3) is amended by striking subparagraphs (B), (C), (D), (E), and (F) and inserting the following new subparagraph:

“(B) **PASSIVE INVESTMENT INCOME DEFINED.**—

“(i) **IN GENERAL.**—Except as otherwise provided in this subparagraph, the term ‘passive investment income’ means gross receipts derived from royalties, rents, dividends, interest, and annuities.

“(ii) **EXCEPTION FOR INTEREST ON NOTES FROM SALES OF INVENTORY.**—The term ‘passive investment income’ shall not include interest on any obligation acquired in the ordinary course of the corporation’s trade or business from its sale of property described in section 1221(a)(1).

“(iii) **TREATMENT OF CERTAIN LENDING OR FINANCE COMPANIES.**—If the S corporation meets the requirements of section 542(c)(6) for the taxable year, the term ‘passive investment income’ shall not include gross receipts for the taxable year which are derived directly from the active and regular conduct of a lending or finance business (as defined in section 542(d)(1)).

“(iv) **TREATMENT OF CERTAIN DIVIDENDS.**—If an S corporation holds stock in a C corporation meeting the requirements of section 1504(a)(2), the term ‘passive investment income’ shall not include dividends from such C corporation to the extent such dividends are attributable to the earnings and profits of such C corporation derived from the active conduct of a trade or business.

“(v) **EXCEPTION FOR BANKS, ETC.**—In the case of a bank (as defined in section 581) or a depository institution holding company (as defined in section 3(w)(1) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813(w)(1)), the term ‘passive investment income’ shall not include—

“(I) interest income earned by such bank or company, or

“(II) dividends on assets required to be held by such bank or company, including stock in the Federal Reserve Bank, the Federal Home Loan Bank, or the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Bank or participation certificates issued by a Federal Intermediate Credit Bank.”

(b) **CONFORMING AMENDMENT.**—Clause (i) of section 1042(c)(4)(A) is amended by striking “section 1362(d)(3)(C)” and inserting “section 1362(d)(3)(B)”.

(c) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2006.

**SEC. 212. TREATMENT OF BANK DIRECTOR SHARES.**

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 1361 (defining S corporation) is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

“(f) **RESTRICTED BANK DIRECTOR STOCK.**—

“(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Restricted bank director stock shall not be taken into account as outstanding stock of the S corporation in applying this subchapter (other than section 1368(f)).

“(2) **RESTRICTED BANK DIRECTOR STOCK.**—For purposes of this subsection, the term ‘restricted bank director stock’ means stock in a bank (as defined in section 581) or a depository institution holding company (as defined in section 3(w)(1) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813(w)(1)), if such stock—

“(A) is required to be held by an individual under applicable Federal or State law in order to permit such individual to serve as a director, and

“(B) is subject to an agreement with such bank or company (or a corporation which controls (within the meaning of section 368(c)) such bank or company) pursuant to which the holder is required to sell back such stock (at the same price as the individual acquired such stock) upon ceasing to hold the office of director.

“(3) **CROSS REFERENCE.**—

“For treatment of certain distributions with respect to restricted bank director stock, see section 1368(f)”.

(b) **DISTRIBUTIONS.**—Section 1368 (relating to distributions) is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

“(f) **RESTRICTED BANK DIRECTOR STOCK.**—If a director receives a distribution (not in part or full payment in exchange for stock) from an S corporation with respect to any restricted bank director stock (as defined in section 1361(f)), the amount of such distribution—

“(1) shall be includible in gross income of the director, and

“(2) shall be deductible by the corporation for the taxable year of such corporation in which or with which ends the taxable year in which such amount is included in the gross income of the director.”

(c) **EFFECTIVE DATES.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2006.

(2) **SPECIAL RULE FOR TREATMENT AS SECOND CLASS OF STOCK.**—In the case of any taxable year beginning after December 31, 1996, restricted bank director stock (as defined in section 1361(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as added by this section) shall not be taken into account in determining whether an S corporation has more than 1 class of stock.

**SEC. 213. SPECIAL RULE FOR BANK REQUIRED TO CHANGE FROM THE RESERVE METHOD OF ACCOUNTING ON BECOMING S CORPORATION.**

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 1361, as amended by this Act, is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

“(g) **SPECIAL RULE FOR BANK REQUIRED TO CHANGE FROM THE RESERVE METHOD OF ACCOUNTING ON BECOMING S CORPORATION.**—In the case of a bank which changes from the reserve method of accounting for bad debts described in section 585 or 593 for its first taxable year for which an election under section 1362(a) is in effect, the bank may elect to take into account any adjustments under section 481 by reason of such change for the taxable year immediately preceding such first taxable year.”

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2006.

**SEC. 214. TREATMENT OF THE SALE OF INTEREST IN A QUALIFIED SUBCHAPTER S SUBSIDIARY.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subparagraph (C) of section 1361(b)(3) (relating to treatment of terminations of qualified subchapter S subsidiary status) is amended—

(1) by striking “For purposes of this title,” and inserting the following:

“(i) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of this title,” and

(2) by inserting at the end the following new clause:

“(ii) TERMINATION BY REASON OF SALE OF STOCK.—If the failure to meet the requirements of subparagraph (B) is by reason of the sale of stock of a corporation which is a qualified subchapter S subsidiary, the sale of such stock shall be treated as if—

“(I) the sale were a sale of an undivided interest in the assets of such corporation (based on the percentage of the corporation’s stock sold), and

“(II) the sale were followed by an acquisition by such corporation of all of its assets (and the assumption by such corporation of all of its liabilities) in a transaction to which section 351 applies.”

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2006.

**SEC. 215. ELIMINATION OF ALL EARNINGS AND PROFITS ATTRIBUTABLE TO PRE-1983 YEARS FOR CERTAIN CORPORATIONS.**

In the case of a corporation which is—

(1) described in section 1311(a)(1) of the Small Business Job Protection Act of 1996, and

(2) not described in section 1311(a)(2) of such Act,

the amount of such corporation’s accumulated earnings and profits (for the first taxable year beginning after December 31, 2006) shall be reduced by an amount equal to the portion (if any) of such accumulated earnings and profits which were accumulated in any taxable year beginning before January 1, 1983, for which such corporation was an electing small business corporation under subchapter S of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

**SEC. 216. EXPANSION OF QUALIFYING BENEFICIARIES OF AN ELECTING SMALL BUSINESS TRUST.**

(a) NO LOOK THROUGH FOR ELIGIBILITY PURPOSES.—Clause (v) of section 1361(c)(2)(B) is amended by adding at the end the following new sentence: “This clause shall not apply for purposes of subsection (b)(1)(C).”

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2006.

**SA 221.** Mr. DURBIN proposed an amendment to amendment SA 157 proposed by Mr. DEMINT to the bill H.R. 2, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage; as follows:

At the end of the amendment add the following:

Section 2 of the bill shall take effect one day after date of enactment.

**NOTICES OF HEARINGS/MEETINGS**

**COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS**

Mr. DORGAN. Mr. President, I would like to announce that the Committee on Indian Affairs will meet on Thursday, February 1, 2007, at 9:30 a.m. in

Room 485 of the Russell Senate Office Building to conduct a confirmation hearing on the President’s nomination of Mr. Carl Joseph Artman, to be Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs, U.S. Department of the Interior, to be followed immediately by a business meeting to approve the nomination of Mr. Carl Joseph Artman, to be Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs, U.S. Department of the Interior.

Those wishing additional information may contact the Indian Affairs Committee at 224–2251.

**COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

Mr. KERRY. Mr. President, the chairman would like to inform the members of the committee that the committee will hold a hearing entitled “Assessing Federal Small Business Assistance Programs for Veterans and Reservists,” on Wednesday, January 31, 2007, at 10 a.m. in Russell 428A.

**PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR**

Mr. CORNYN. Mr. President, I first ask unanimous consent that two members of my staff, Reed O’Connor and Ramona McGee, be granted the privilege of the floor for the duration of the 110th Congress.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

**APPOINTMENT**

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 276h–276k, as amended, appoints the following Senator as Chairman of the Senate Delegation to the Mexico-U.S. Inter-parliamentary Group during the 110th Congress: The Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD).

**COMMENDING THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA—LINCOLN WOMEN’S VOLLEYBALL TEAM**

Mr. REID. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Judiciary Committee be discharged from further consideration and the Senate now proceed to S. Res. 44.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 44) commending the University of Nebraska-Lincoln women’s volleyball team for winning the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Women’s Volleyball Championship.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. REID. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and I ask that a statement by Senator NELSON of Nebraska be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

• Mr. NELSON of Nebraska. Madam President, today I wish to congratulate the No. 1 volleyball team in America: the University of Nebraska Cornhuskers Women’s Volleyball Team.

The Cornhuskers won their third national title with a 3–1 victory over Stanford University on December 16, 2006. Previously, Nebraska captured National Collegiate Athletic Association’s Women’s Division I Volleyball Championships in 1995 and 2000.

The win moved Nebraska into a tie for second place on the list of all-time NCAA Volleyball Championships among all schools. The title was also the second for the Huskers under Coach John Cook, who led Nebraska to the 2000 title in his first season as Nebraska’s head coach.

Nebraska ended its 2006 season with a 33–1 record. The team’s .971 winning percentage led the Nation and was the second-best mark in school history. The Huskers also became just the third team in NCAA history to be ranked No. 1 for the entire season.

In addition, the Cornhuskers are the first team outside of the Pacific Ten Conference to win a national title in women’s volleyball since Nebraska’s last title in 2000. After finishing runner-up last year, Nebraska became just the third volleyball team to ever win the National Championship season after losing in the NCAA’s final match. Pennsylvania State University, Penn State, and the University of California at Los Angeles, UCLA, are the only other schools to accomplish such a feat.

Attendance at the championship match, played at the Qwest Center in Omaha, NE, totaled 17,209, an all-time collegiate volleyball record. The total attendance for the entire championship session of 34,222 also set an NCAA record. The previous record was 23,978 set during the 1998 Championships in Madison, WI.

On their way to winning the national title, several Huskers collected prestigious individual honors as well. Nebraska’s 6-foot, 5-inch junior right-side hitter, Sarah Pavan, led the way, winning the American Volleyball Coaches Association’s, AVCA, Division I National Player of the Year award and the 2006–2007 Honda Sports Award for volleyball. Pavan became the fourth Husker to win each award. Along with Pavan, sophomore outside hitter Jordan Larson was named an AVCA First Team All-American, while junior middle blocker Tracy Stalls was a second-team selection and redshirt freshman setter Rachel Holloway was a third-team honoree.

It is a tremendous accomplishment to win a National Championship, and the University of Nebraska’s Women’s Volleyball Team is to be commended for its excellence and for the pride it has instilled in all Nebraskans.●

The resolution (S. Res. 44) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.