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To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to phaseout the estate and gift taxes over a 10-year period.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 25, 1999

Ms. DUNN (for herself and Mr. TANNER) 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 phaseout the estate and gift taxes over a 10-year period.

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 “Death Tax Elimination
5 Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. PHASEOUT OF ESTATE AND GIFT TAXES.**

7 (a) REPEAL OF ESTATE AND GIFT TAXES.—Subtitle
8 B of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to estate
9 and gift taxes) is repealed effective with respect to estates

1 of decedents dying, and gifts made, after December 31,
2 2009.

3 (b) PHASEOUT OF TAX.—Subsection (c) of section
4 2001 of such Code (relating to imposition and rate of tax)
5 is amended by adding at the end the following new para-
6 graph:

7 “(3) PHASEOUT OF TAX.—In the case of es-
8 tates of decedents dying, and gifts made, during any
9 calendar year after 1999 and before 2010—

10 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The tentative tax
11 under this subsection shall be determined by
12 using a table prescribed by the Secretary (in
13 lieu of using the table contained in paragraph
14 (1)) which is the same as such table; except
15 that—

16 “(i) each of the rates of tax shall be
17 reduced (but not below zero) by the num-
18 ber of percentage points determined under
19 subparagraph (B), and

20 “(ii) the amounts setting forth the tax
21 shall be adjusted to the extent necessary to
22 reflect the adjustments under clause (i).

23 “(B) PERCENTAGE POINTS OF REDUC-
24 TION.—

“For calendar year:	The number of percentage points is:
2000	5

“For calendar year:	The number of percentage points is:
2001	10
2002	15
2003	20
2004	25
2005	30
2006	35
2007	40
2008	45
2009	50.

1 “(C) COORDINATION WITH PARAGRAPH
 2 (2).—Paragraph (2) shall be applied by reduc-
 3 ing the 55 percent percentage contained therein
 4 by the number of percentage points determined
 5 for such calendar year under subparagraph (B).

6 “(D) COORDINATION WITH CREDIT FOR
 7 STATE DEATH TAXES.—Rules similar to the
 8 rules of subparagraph (A) shall apply to the
 9 table contained in section 2011(b) except that
 10 the number of percentage points referred to in
 11 subparagraph (A)(i) shall be determined under
 12 the following table:

“For calendar year:	The number of percentage points is:
2000	1½
2001	3
2002	4½
2003	6
2004	7½
2005	9
2006	10½
2007	12
2008	13½
2009	15.”

1 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
2 this section shall apply to estates of decedents dying, and
3 gifts made, after December 31, 1999.

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