

116TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Ms. MCSALLY introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**A BILL**

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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 “Child Tax Credit Ex-  
5       tension Act”.

6       **SEC. 2. PERMANENT INCREASE AND MODIFICATION OF**  
7       **CHILD TAX CREDIT.**

8       (a) INCREASE IN CREDIT AMOUNT.—Section 24(a) of  
9       the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking  
10      “\$1,000” and inserting “\$2,000”.

1 (b) LIMITATION.—Paragraph (2) of section 24(b) of  
2 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read  
3 as follows:

4 “(2) THRESHOLD AMOUNT.—For purposes of  
5 paragraph (1), the term ‘threshold amount’ means—

6 “(A) \$400,000 in the case of a joint re-  
7 turn, and

8 “(B) \$200,000 in any other case.”.

9 (c) PARTIAL CREDIT ALLOWED FOR CERTAIN  
10 OTHER DEPENDENTS.—Subsection (h) of section 24 of  
11 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read  
12 as follows:

13 “(h) PARTIAL CREDIT ALLOWED FOR CERTAIN  
14 OTHER DEPENDENTS.—

15 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The credit determined  
16 under subsection (a) shall be increased by \$500 for  
17 each dependent of the taxpayer (as defined in sec-  
18 tion 7706) other than a qualifying child described in  
19 subsection (c).

20 “(2) EXCEPTION FOR CERTAIN NONCITIZENS.—  
21 Paragraph (1) shall not apply with respect to any  
22 individual who would not be a dependent if subpara-  
23 graph (A) of section 7706(b)(3) were applied with-  
24 out regard to all that follows ‘resident of the United  
25 States’.

1                   “(3) CERTAIN QUALIFYING CHILDREN.—In the  
2           case of any qualifying child with respect to whom a  
3           credit is not allowed under this section by reason of  
4           subsection (e)(1), such child shall be treated as a de-  
5           pendent to whom subparagraph (A) applies.”.

(d) MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF REFUNDABLE CREDIT.—

Subsection (d) of section 24 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by inserting after paragraph (3) the following new paragraph:

10                   “(4) LIMITATION.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The amount determined under paragraph (1)(A) with respect to any qualifying child shall not exceed \$1,400, and such paragraph shall be applied without regard to subsection (h).

16 “(B) ADJUSTMENT FOR INFLATION.—In  
17 the case of a taxable year beginning after 2018,  
18 the \$1,400 amount in subparagraph (A) shall  
19 be increased by an amount equal to—

20 “(i) such dollar amount, multiplied by

“(ii) the cost-of-living adjustment determined under section 1(f)(3) for the calendar year in which the taxable year begins, determined by substituting ‘2017’ for ‘2016’ in subparagraph (A)(ii) thereof.

1           If any increase under this clause is not a mul-  
2           tiple of \$100, such increase shall be rounded to  
3           the next lowest multiple of \$100.”.

4           (e) EARNED INCOME THRESHOLD FOR REFUNDABLE  
5 CREDIT.—Section 24(d)(1)(B) of the Internal Revenue  
6 Code of 1986 is amended by striking “\$3,000” and insert-  
7 ing “\$2,500”.

8           (f) SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER REQUIRED.—Para-  
9 graph (1) of section 24(e) of the Internal Revenue Code  
10 of 1986 is amended to read as follows:

11           “(1) QUALIFYING CHILD SOCIAL SECURITY  
12 NUMBER REQUIREMENT.—No credit shall be allowed  
13 under this section to a taxpayer with respect to any  
14 qualifying child unless the taxpayer includes the  
15 name and social security number of such child on  
16 the return of tax for the taxable year. For purposes  
17 of the preceding sentence, the term ‘social security  
18 number’ means a social security number issued to an  
19 individual by the Social Security Administration, but  
20 only if the social security number is issued—

21           “(A) to a citizen of the United States or  
22 pursuant to subclause (I) (or that portion of  
23 subclause (III) that relates to subclause (I)) of  
24 section 205(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Social Security  
25 Act, and

1 “(B) before the due date for such return.”.

2 (g) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
3 this section shall take effect as if included in the enact-  
4 ment of section 11022 of Public Law 115–97.