

117TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 8253

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the research tax credit and provide better access to the credit for business startups.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 28, 2022

Mrs. WALORSKI (for herself and Mr. ARRINGTON) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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 “Fostering Innovation
5 and Research to Strengthen Tomorrow Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. INCREASE IN RESEARCH CREDIT AND BETTER AC-**
7 **CESS TO CREDIT FOR STARTUPS.**

8 (a) CREDIT RATE INCREASE.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 41(a) of the Internal
10 Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking “20

1 percent” each place it appears and inserting “40
2 percent”.

3 (2) ALTERNATIVE SIMPLIFIED CREDIT.—Sec-
4 tion 41(c)(4)(A) of such Code is amended by strik-
5 ing “14 percent” and inserting “28 percent”.

6 (3) CREDIT RATE IN CASE OF NO RESEARCH
7 EXPENSES IN 3 PRECEDING YEARS.—Section
8 41(c)(4)(B)(ii) of such Code is amended by striking
9 “6 percent” and inserting “½ the credit percentage
10 in effect under subparagraph (A)”.

11 (b) MODIFICATION OF SMALL BUSINESS PORTION
12 ALLOWED AGAINST PAYROLL TAX.—

13 (1) INCREASE IN LIMITATION.—Paragraphs
14 (4)(B)(i) and (5)(B)(ii) of section 41(h) of such
15 Code are each amended by striking “\$250,000” and
16 inserting “\$500,000”.

17 (2) QUALIFIED SMALL BUSINESS GROSS RE-
18 CEIPTS THRESHOLD.—Section 41(h)(3)(A)(i)(I) of
19 such Code is amended by striking “\$5,000,000” and
20 inserting “the dollar amount in effect for the taxable
21 year under section 448(c)(1)”.

22 (c) EFFECTIVE DATES.—The amendments made by
23 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
24 December 31, 2022.

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