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H. R. 6759

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the renewable electricity production credit and to require the Secretary of Labor to establish a program to provide for workforce training and education, at institutions of higher education, in the fields of renewable energy and efficiency, green technology, and sustainable environmental practices.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 31, 2008

Mr. SPACE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Education and Labor, 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

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Renew Through Green
3 Jobs Act of 2008”.

4 **SEC. 2. EXTENSION OF RENEWABLE ELECTRICITY PRODUC-**
5 **TION CREDIT.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (d) of section 45 of the
7 Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended—

8 (1) in paragraph (1) by striking “, and before
9 January 1, 2009”,

10 (2) in paragraph (2)(A)—

11 (A) in clause (i) by striking “, and before
12 January 1, 2009”, and

13 (B) in clause (ii) by striking “before Janu-
14 ary 1, 2009,”,

15 (3) in paragraph (3)(A)—

16 (A) in clause (i) by striking “and before
17 January 1, 2009”, and

18 (B) in clause (ii) by striking “before Janu-
19 ary 1, 2009” and inserting “before, on, or after
20 the date of the enactment of this subclause”,

21 (4) in paragraph (4) by striking “and before
22 January 1, 2009 (” and inserting “(and before”,
23 and

24 (5) in paragraphs (5), (6), (7), (8), and (9), by
25 striking “and before January 1, 2009” each place it
26 appears.

1 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
2 this section shall apply to property placed in service after
3 the date of the enactment of this Act.

4 **SEC. 3. COLLEGE SUSTAINABILITY.**

5 (a) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “institu-
6 tion of higher education” has the meaning given the term
7 in section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20
8 U.S.C. 1001).

9 (b) WORKFORCE TRAINING AND EDUCATION IN RE-
10 NEWABLE ENERGY AND EFFICIENCY, GREEN TECH-
11 NOLOGY, AND SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENTAL PRAC-
12 TICES.—From funds made available under subsection (d),
13 the Secretary of Labor shall carry out a sustainability
14 workforce training and education program. In carrying
15 out the program, the Secretary shall award grants to insti-
16 tutions of higher education to provide workforce training
17 and education in industries and practices, such as—

18 (1) alternative energy, including wind and solar
19 energy;

20 (2) green construction, green retrofitting, and
21 green design;

22 (3) green chemistry, green nanotechnology, or
23 green technology;

24 (4) water and energy conservation;

25 (5) recycling and waste reduction;

1 (6) sustainable agriculture and farming; and

2 (7) sustainable culinary practices.

3 (c) AWARD CONSIDERATIONS.—Of the funds made
4 available under subsection (b) for a fiscal year, not less
5 than \$50,000,000 shall be awarded to institutions of high-
6 er education with existing (as of the date of the award)
7 sustainability programs that lead to certificates or degrees
8 in 1 or more of the industries and practices described in
9 paragraphs (1) through (7) of subsection (b).

10 (d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
11 are authorized to be appropriated and there are appro-
12 priated to carry out this Act \$100,000,000 for fiscal year
13 2009 and each subsequent fiscal year.

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