

## 116TH CONGRESS H.R. 6567

To provide an exclusion from gross income for certain workers.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 21, 2020

Mr. Thompson of Pennsylvania (for himself and Mr. Evans) 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 "Giving Retailers and
- $5\,$  Our Convenience Employees Relief Act of 2020" or as the
- 6 "GROCER Act of 2020".
- 7 SEC. 2. EXCLUSION FROM GROSS INCOME FOR CERTAIN
- 8 WORKERS.
- 9 (a) In General.—For purposes of the Internal Rev-
- 10 enue Code of 1986, gross income shall not include speci-
- 11 fied income of any qualified employee.

- 1 (b) Limitation.—The aggregate amount not in-
- 2 cluded in the gross income of any individual by reason of
- 3 subsection (a) shall not exceed \$25,000.
- 4 (c) Qualified Employee.—For purposes of this
- 5 section, the term "qualified employee" means any indi-
- 6 vidual who provides services at a business concern that
- 7 is assigned a North American Industry Classification Sys-
- 8 tem code beginning with 4244, 4247, 4451, or 4471, and
- 9 which is located in a county that has at least one con-
- 10 firmed case of COVID-19.
- 11 (d) Specified Income.—For purposes of this sec-
- 12 tion, the term "specified income" means—
- 13 (1) if the services described in subsection (c)
- are provided as an employee, the wages (as defined
- in section 3121(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of
- 16 1986 determined without regard to paragraph (1)
- thereof) received by the qualified employee for the
- 18 applicable period, and
- 19 (2) in any other case, the income of the quali-
- fied employee which is properly allocable to the serv-
- 21 ices described in subsection (c) which are provided
- by such qualified employee during the applicable pe-
- 23 riod.

- 1 (e) Applicable Period.—For purposes of this sec-
- 2 tion, the term "applicable period" means the period begin-
- 3 ning on February 15, 2020, and ending on June 15, 2020.
- 4 (f) Extension.—The Secretary of the Treasury (or
- 5 the Secretary's delegate) may extend the applicable period
- 6 for a period not to exceed 3 additional calendar months
- 7 if the Secretary (or the Secretary's delegate) determines
- 8 that the emergency related to COVID-19 is likely to be
- 9 ongoing during such period. If such period is so extended,
- 10 the dollar amount in subsection (b) shall be increased by
- 11 \$6,250 for each month of such extension (and a like rate
- 12 of increase with respect to any extension which is not a
- 13 whole number of months).

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