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To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reinstate estate and generation-skipping taxes, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. SANDERS introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on ______

A BILL

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reinstate estate and generation-skipping taxes, and for other purposes.

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 "For the 99.5 Percent5 Act".

6 SEC. 2. MODIFICATIONS TO ESTATE, GIFT, AND GENERA7 TION-SKIPPING TRANSFER TAXES.

8 (a) MODIFICATION OF RATES.—Section 2001(c) of
9 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking
10 the last 2 rows and inserting the following:

"Over \$750,000 but not over \$3,500,000	\$248,300 plus 39 per- cent of the excess of such amount over \$750,000.
Over \$3,500,000 but not over \$10,000,000	\$1,320,800 plus 45 percent of the ex- cess of such amount over \$3,500,000.
Over \$10,000,000 but not over \$50,000,000	\$4,245,800 plus 50 percent of the ex- cess of such amount over \$10,000,000.
Over \$50,000,000 but not over \$1,000,000,000	\$24,245,800 plus 55 percent of the ex- cess of such amount over \$50,000,000.
Over \$1,000,000,000	\$546,745,800 plus 65 percent of the ex- cess of such amount over \$1,000,000,000.".

1 (b) EXCLUSION AMOUNT.—

2 (1) ESTATE TAX.—Paragraph (3) of section
3 2010(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is
4 amended to read as follows:

5 "(3) BASIC EXCLUSION AMOUNT.—For pur-6 poses of this subsection, the basic exclusion amount 7 is \$3,500,000.".

8 (2) MODIFICATION TO GIFT TAX EXCLUSION
9 AMOUNT.—Paragraph (1) of section 2505(a) of the
10 Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read
11 as follows:

"(1) the applicable credit amount in effect
under section 2010(c) for such calendar year (determined as if the basic exclusion amount in section
2010(c)(2)(A) were \$1,000,000), reduced by".

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
 this section shall apply to estates of decedents dying, and
 generation-skipping transfers and gifts made, after De cember 31, 2023.

5 SEC. 3. MODIFICATION OF RULES FOR VALUE OF CERTAIN 6 FARM, ETC., REAL PROPERTY.

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (2) of section
8 2032A(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amend9 ed by striking "\$750,000" and inserting "\$3,000,000".
10 (b) INFLATION ADJUSTMENT.—Paragraph (3) of sec11 tion 2032A(a) of such Code is amended—

(1) by striking "1998" and inserting "2024",
(2) by striking "\$750,000" each place it appears and inserting "\$3,000,000", and

(3) by striking "calendar year 1997" and inserting "calendar year 2023" in subparagraph (B).
(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
this section shall apply to estates of decedents dying, and
gifts made, after December 31, 2023.

20 SEC. 4. MODIFICATION OF ESTATE TAX RULES WITH RE21 SPECT TO LAND SUBJECT TO CONSERVATION
22 EASEMENTS.

23 (a) MODIFICATION OF EXCLUSION LIMITATION.—
24 Subparagraph (B) of section 2031(c)(1) of the Internal

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Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking "\$500,000"
 and inserting "\$2,000,000".

3 (b) MODIFICATION OF APPLICABLE PERCENTAGE.—
4 Paragraph (2) of section 2031(c) of the Internal Revenue
5 Code of 1986 is amended by striking "40 percent" and
6 inserting "60 percent".

7 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
8 this section shall apply to estates of decedents dying, and
9 gifts made, after December 31, 2023.

10SEC. 5. CLARIFICATION REGARDING DISALLOWANCE OF11STEP-UP IN BASIS FOR PROPERTY HELD IN12CERTAIN GRANTOR TRUSTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1014 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended—

15 (1) by redesignating subsection (f) as sub-16 section (g), and

17 (2) by inserting after subsection (e) the fol-18 lowing:

19 "(f) PROPERTY HELD IN CERTAIN GRANTOR20 TRUSTS.—This section shall not apply to property—

21 "(1) held in a trust of which the transferor is
22 considered the owner under subpart E of part I of
23 subchapter J, and

"(2) if, after the transfer of such property to
 the trust, such property is not includible in the gross
 estate of the transferor for purposes of chapter 11.".
 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 6662(k) of
 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking
 "1014(f)" and inserting "1014(g)".

7 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
8 this section shall apply to transfers after the date of the
9 enactment of this Act.

10 (d) NO INFERENCE.—No inference may be drawn 11 from the amendments made by this section with respect 12 to the application of section 1014 of the Internal Revenue 13 Code of 1986 to property described in subsection (f) of 14 such section (as added by subsection (a)) which was trans-15 ferred on or before the date of enactment of this Act.

16SEC. 6. LIMITATION ON DISCOUNTS; VALUATION RULES17FOR CERTAIN TRANSFERS OF NONBUSINESS18ASSETS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 14 of subtitle B of the
Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at
the end the following new section:

1	"SEC. 2705. LIMITATION ON DISCOUNTS; VALUATION RULES
2	FOR CERTAIN TRANSFERS OF NONBUSINESS
3	ASSETS.
4	"(a) Limitation on Discount by Reason of Fam-
5	ily Control.—
6	"(1) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of this sub-
7	title, in the case of the transfer of any interest in
8	an entity other than an interest which is actively
9	traded (within the meaning of section 1092), if the
10	transferor, the transferee, and members of the fam-
11	ily of the transferor and transferee have control of
12	such entity immediately before such transfer, no dis-
13	count shall be allowed—
14	"(A) by reason of the fact that the trans-
15	feror or transferee does not have control of
16	such entity,
17	"(B) by reason of the lack of marketability
18	of the interest, or
19	"(C) for any other reason.
20	"(2) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection, the
21	terms 'control' and 'member of the family' have the
22	same meanings given such terms in section 2704(c).
23	"(3) ATTRIBUTION.—For purposes of this sec-
24	tion, the rule of section $2701(e)(3)$ shall apply for
25	purposes of determining the interests held by any in-
26	dividual.

1	"(b) Valuation Rules for Certain Transfers
2	OF NONBUSINESS ASSETS.—
3	"(1) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of this sub-
4	title, in the case of the transfer of any interest in
5	an entity other than an interest which is actively
6	traded (within the meaning of section 1092)—
7	"(A) the value of any nonbusiness assets
8	held by the entity with respect to such interest
9	shall be determined as if the transferor had
10	transferred such assets directly to the trans-
11	feree (and no valuation discount shall be al-
12	lowed with respect to such nonbusiness assets),
13	and
14	"(B) such nonbusiness assets shall not be
15	taken into account in determining the value of
16	the interest in the entity.
17	"(2) Nonbusiness assets.—For purposes of
18	this subsection—
19	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'nonbusi-
20	ness asset' means any asset other than an asset
21	which is used in the active conduct of a trade
22	or business.
23	"(B) PASSIVE ASSETS TREATED AS NON-
24	BUSINESS ASSETS.—

1	"(i) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of
2	subparagraph (A), a passive asset shall be
3	treated as a nonbusiness asset unless—
4	"(I) the asset is property de-
5	scribed in paragraph (1) or (4) of sec-
6	tion 1221(a) or is a hedge with re-
7	spect to such property, or
8	"(II) the asset is real property
9	used in the active conduct of 1 or
10	more real property trades or busi-
11	nesses (within the meaning of section
12	469(c)(7)(C)) in which the transferor
13	materially participates and with re-
14	spect to which the transferor meets
15	the requirements of section
16	469(c)(7)(B)(ii).
17	"(ii) MATERIAL PARTICIPATION.—For
18	purposes of clause (i)(II), material partici-
19	pation shall be determined under the rules
20	of section 469(h), except that section
21	469(h)(3) shall be applied without regard
22	to the limitation to farming activity.
23	"(C) Working capital treated as
24	USED IN TRADE OR BUSINESS.—Any asset (in-
25	cluding a passive asset) which is held as a part

1	of the reasonably required working capital
2	needs of a trade or business shall be treated as
3	used in the active conduct of a trade or busi-
4	ness.
5	"(3) PASSIVE ASSET.—For purposes of this
6	subsection, the term 'passive asset' means any—
7	"(A) cash or cash equivalents,
8	"(B) stock in a corporation or any other
9	equity, profits, or capital interest in any entity,
10	"(C) evidence of indebtedness, option, for-
11	ward or futures contract, notional principal con-
12	tract, or derivative,
13	"(D) asset described in clause (iii), (iv), or
14	(v) of section 351(e)(1)(B),
15	"(E) annuity,
16	"(F) real property used in 1 or more real
17	property trades or businesses (as defined in sec-
18	tion $469(c)(7)(C))$,
19	"(G) asset (other than a patent, trade-
20	mark, or copyright) which produces royalty in-
21	come,
22	"(H) commodity,
23	"(I) collectible (within the meaning of sec-
24	tion $408(m)$), or

1	"(J) any other asset specified in regula-
2	tions prescribed by the Secretary.
3	"(4) Look-thru rule.—
4	"(A) IN GENERAL.—If a nonbusiness asset
5	of an entity described in paragraph (1) consists
6	of a 10-percent interest in any other entity, this
7	subsection shall be applied by disregarding the
8	10-percent interest and by treating the entity
9	as holding directly its ratable share of the as-
10	sets of the other entity.
11	"(B) 10-percent interest.—The term
12	'10-percent interest' means—
13	"(i) in the case of an interest in a cor-
14	poration, direct ownership of at least 10
15	percent (by vote or value) of the stock in
16	such corporation,
17	"(ii) in the case of an interest in a
18	partnership, direct ownership of at least 10
19	percent of the capital or profits interest in
20	the partnership, and
21	"(iii) in any other case, direct owner-
22	ship of at least 10 percent of the beneficial
23	interests in the entity.".
24	(b) Conforming Amendments.—

1	(1) Section 2031(b) of the Internal Revenue
2	Code of 1986 is amended by inserting "(after appli-
3	cation of section 2705(b))" after "shall be deter-
4	mined".
5	(2) The table of sections of chapter 14 of sub-
6	title B of such Code is amended by adding at the
7	end the following:
	"Sec. 2705. Limitation on discounts; valuation rules for certain transfers of nonbusiness assets.".
8	(c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
9	this section shall apply to transfers after the date of the
10	enactment of this Act.
11	SEC. 7. REQUIRED MINIMUM 10-YEAR TERM, ETC., FOR
12	GRANTOR RETAINED ANNUITY TRUSTS.
	GRANTOR RETAINED ANNUITY TRUSTS. (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (b) of section 2702 of
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12 13	(a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (b) of section 2702 of
12 13 14	(a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (b) of section 2702 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended—
12 13 14 15	 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (b) of section 2702 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended— (1) by redesignating paragraphs (1), (2), and
12 13 14 15 16	 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (b) of section 2702 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended— (1) by redesignating paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) as subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C), respectively,
12 13 14 15 16 17	 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (b) of section 2702 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended— (1) by redesignating paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) as subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C), respectively, and by moving such subparagraphs (as so redesig-
12 13 14 15 16 17 18	 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (b) of section 2702 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended— (1) by redesignating paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) as subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C), respectively, and by moving such subparagraphs (as so redesignated) 2 ems to the right;
 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 	 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (b) of section 2702 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended— (1) by redesignating paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) as subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C), respectively, and by moving such subparagraphs (as so redesignated) 2 ems to the right; (2) by striking "For purposes of" and inserting
 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 	 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (b) of section 2702 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended— (1) by redesignating paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) as subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C), respectively, and by moving such subparagraphs (as so redesignated) 2 ems to the right; (2) by striking "For purposes of" and inserting the following:
 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 	 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (b) of section 2702 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended— (1) by redesignating paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) as subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C), respectively, and by moving such subparagraphs (as so redesignated) 2 ems to the right; (2) by striking "For purposes of" and inserting the following: "(1) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of";

1 (4) by adding at the end the following new 2 paragraph: "(2) Additional requirements with re-3 4 SPECT TO GRANTOR RETAINED ANNUITIES.—For 5 purposes of subsection (a), in the case of an interest 6 described in paragraph (1)(A) (determined without 7 regard to this paragraph) which is retained by the 8 transferor, such interest shall be treated as de-9 scribed in such paragraph only if— 10 "(A) the right to receive the fixed amounts 11 referred to in such paragraph is for a term of 12 not less than 10 years and not more than the 13 life expectancy of the annuitant plus 10 years, 14 "(B) such fixed amounts, when determined 15 on an annual basis, do not decrease during the 16 term described in subparagraph (A), and 17 "(C) the remainder interest has a value, as 18 determined as of the time of the transfer, which 19 is— "(i) not less than an amount equal to 20

21 the greater of—

22 "(I) 25 percent of the fair mar23 ket value of the property in the trust,
24 or

25 "(II) \$500,000, and

"(ii) not greater than the fair market
 value of the property in the trust.".
 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
 this section shall apply to transfers made after the date
 of the enactment of this Act.
 SEC. 8. CERTAIN TRANSFER TAX RULES APPLICABLE TO
 GRANTOR TRUSTS.

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle B of the Internal Rev9 enue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the
10 following new chapter:

11 "CHAPTER 16—SPECIAL RULES FOR 12 GRANTOR TRUSTS

"Sec. 2901. Application of transfer taxes.

13 "SEC. 2901. APPLICATION OF TRANSFER TAXES.

14 "(a) IN GENERAL.—In the case of any portion of a
15 trust to which this section applies—

"(1) the value of the gross estate of the deceased deemed owner of such portion shall include
all assets attributable to that portion at the time of
the death of such owner,

"(2) any distribution from such portion to one
or more beneficiaries during the life of the deemed
owner of such portion shall be treated as a transfer
by gift for purposes of chapter 12, and

1	"(3) if at any time during the life of the
2	deemed owner of such portion, such owner ceases to
3	be treated as the owner of such portion under sub-
4	part E of part 1 of subchapter J of chapter 1, all
5	assets attributable to such portion at such time shall
6	be treated for purposes of chapter 12 as a transfer
7	by gift made by the deemed owner.
8	"(b) Portion of Trust to Which Section Ap-
9	PLIES.—This section shall apply to—
10	"(1) the portion of a trust with respect to
11	which the grantor is the deemed owner, and
12	((2) the portion of the trust to which a person
13	who is not the grantor is a deemed owner by reason
14	of the rules of subpart E of part 1 of subchapter J
15	of chapter 1, and such deemed owner engages in a
16	sale, exchange, or comparable transaction with the
17	trust that is disregarded for purposes of subtitle A.
18	For purposes of paragraph (2), the portion of the trust
19	described with respect to a transaction is the portion of
20	the trust attributable to the property received by the trust
21	in such transaction, including all retained income there-
22	from, appreciation thereon, and reinvestments thereof, net
23	of the amount of consideration received by the deemed
24	owner in such transaction.

"(c) EXCEPTIONS.—This section shall not apply to
 any trust that is includible in the gross estate of the
 deemed owner (without regard to subsection (a)(1)).

4 "(d) DEEMED OWNER DEFINED.—For purposes of
5 this section, the term 'deemed owner' means any person
6 who is treated as the owner of a portion of a trust under
7 subpart E of part 1 of subchapter J of chapter 1.

8 "(e) REDUCTION FOR TAXABLE GIFTS TO TRUST 9 MADE BY OWNER.—The amount to which subsection (a) 10 applies shall be reduced by the value of any transfer by 11 gift by the deemed owner to the trust previously taken 12 into account by the deemed owner under chapter 12.

13 "(f) LIABILITY FOR PAYMENT OF TAX.—Any tax im14 posed pursuant to subsection (a) shall be a liability of the
15 trust.".

16 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of chapters
17 for subtitle B of such Code is amended by adding at the
18 end the following new item:

"Chapter 16. Special Rules for Grantor Trusts".

19 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by20 this section shall apply—

(1) to trusts created on or after the date of theenactment of this Act,

(2) to any portion of a trust established beforethe date of the enactment of this Act which is attrib-

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1	utable to a contribution made on or after such date,
2	and
3	(3) to any portion of a trust established before
4	the date of the enactment of this Act to which sec-
5	tion 2901(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986
6	(as added by subsection (a)) applies by reason of a
7	transaction described in section $2901(b)(2)$ of such
8	Code on or after such date.
9	SEC. 9. ELIMINATION OF GENERATION-SKIPPING TRANS-
10	FER TAX EXEMPTION FOR TRANSFERS TO
11	CERTAIN PERSONS.
12	(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2642 of the Internal Rev-
13	enue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the
14	following new subsection:
15	"(h) Elimination of GST Exemption for Trans-
16	FERS TO CERTAIN PERSONS.—
17	"(1) IN GENERAL.—
18	"(A) TRANSFER TO NON-EXEMPT PER-
19	son.—In the case of any direct skip or taxable
20	distribution made to any person who is not an
21	exempt person, the inclusion ratio shall be 1.
22	"(B) TAXABLE TERMINATION.—In the
23	case of any taxable termination which occurs at
24	any time immediately after no exempt person is

1	a beneficiary of the trust, the inclusion ratio
2	shall be 1.
3	"(C) EXEMPT PERSON.—
4	"(i) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of
5	this subsection, the term 'exempt person'
6	means—
7	"(I) a natural person—
8	"(aa) who is assigned to a
9	generation which is 2 or fewer
10	generations below the generation
11	assignment of the transferor, or
12	"(bb) whose date of birth
13	precedes the date on which the
14	trust was created, or
15	"(II) a trust in which all inter-
16	ests are held by persons described in
17	subclause (I).
18	"(ii) Exception.—For purposes of
19	clause (i)(II), any interest which is used
20	primarily to postpone or avoid the applica-
21	tion of this subsection shall be disregarded.
22	"(2) DATE OF CREATION.—
23	"(A) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of deter-
24	mining the date on which a trust was created
25	under paragraph $(1)(C)(i)(I)(bb)$, if the trust

1	was created before January 1, 2024, such trust
2	shall be deemed to have been created on Janu-
3	ary 1, 2024.
4	"(B) DATE OF CREATION OF POUR-OVER
5	TRUSTS.—
6	"(i) IN GENERAL.—In the case of any
7	generation-skipping transfer of property
8	which involves the transfer of property
9	from one trust to another trust, the date
10	of the creation of the transferee trust shall
11	be treated as being the earlier of—
12	"(I) the date of the creation of
13	such transferee trust, or
14	"(II) the date of the creation of
15	the transferor trust.
16	"(ii) Multiple transfers.—In the
17	case of multiple transfers to which clause
18	(i) applies—
19	"(I) the date of the creation of
20	the transferor trust shall be deter-
21	mined under such clause, and
22	"(II) subsequent to the deter-
23	mination described in subclause (I),
24	the date of the creation of the trans-

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1	feree trust shall be determined under
2	such clause.
3	"(3) GENERATION ASSIGNMENT.—For purposes
4	of this subsection, the provisions of section 2653(a)
5	shall not apply.
6	"(4) Regulations.—The Secretary may pre-
7	scribe such regulations or other guidance as may be
8	necessary or appropriate to carry out this sub-
9	section.".
10	(b) REPEAL.—Section 1433(b)(2) of the Tax Reform
11	Act of 1986 (Public Law 99-514) is repealed.
12	(c) Effective Dates.—
13	(1) IN GENERAL.—The amendment made by
14	subsection (a) shall take effect on the date of the en-
15	actment of this Act.
16	(2) REPEAL.—The amendment made by sub-
17	section (b) shall apply to generation-skipping trans-
18	fers (within the meaning of section 2611 of the In-
19	ternal Revenue Code of 1986) made after the date
20	of enactment of this Act.
21	SEC. 10. SIMPLIFYING GIFT TAX EXCLUSION FOR ANNUAL
22	GIFTS.
23	(a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (1) of section 2503(b)
24	of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to read
25	as follows:

1	"(1) IN GENERAL.—
2	"(A) LIMIT PER DONEE.—In the case of
3	gifts made to any person by the donor during
4	the calendar year, the first $$10,000$ of such
5	gifts to such person shall not, for purposes of
6	subsection (a), be included in the total amount
7	of gifts made during such year.
8	"(B) CUMULATIVE LIMIT PER DONOR.—
9	"(i) IN GENERAL.—The aggregate
10	amount excluded under subparagraph (A)
11	with respect to all transfers described in
12	clause (ii) made by the donor during the
13	calendar year shall not exceed twice the
14	dollar amount in effect under such sub-
15	paragraph for such calendar year.
16	"(ii) Transfers subject to limita-
17	TION.—The transfers described in this
18	clause are—
19	"(I) a transfer in trust,
20	"(II) a transfer of an interest in
21	a passthrough entity,
22	"(III) a transfer of an interest
23	subject to a prohibition on sale, and
24	"(IV) any other transfer of prop-
25	erty that, without regard to with-

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1drawal, put, or other such rights in2the donee, cannot immediately be liq-3uidated by the donee.".

4 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 2503 of the
5 Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking
6 subsection (c).

7 (c) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary of the Treasury,
8 or the Secretary of the Treasury's delegate, may prescribe
9 such regulations or other guidance as may be necessary
10 or appropriate to carry out the amendments made by this
11 section.

12 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
13 this section shall apply to any calendar year beginning
14 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

15 SEC. 11. GROSS UP FOR TAXABLE GIFTS.

16 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2503 of the Internal Rev17 enue Code of 1986, as amended by section 10, is amend18 ed—

19 (1) in subsection (a), by striking "The term"
20 and inserting "Subject to subsection (c), the term",
21 and

(2) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-lowing:

24 "(c) GROSS UP.—An amount equal to the taxes paid
25 by an individual under section 2501 for any calendar year

on the transfer of property by gift during such calendar
 year shall be treated for purposes of this subtitle as a tax able gift made during such calendar year.".

4 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
5 this section shall apply to calendar years beginning after
6 the date of enactment of this Act.

7 SEC. 12. DEFINITION OF EXECUTOR.

8 (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF GENERAL DEFINITION OF
9 EXECUTOR FOR INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986.—
10 (1) Subchapter C of chapter 11 of subtitle B of

the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended bystriking section 2203.

13 (2) Section 7701(a) of such Code is amended14 by adding at the end the following:

15 "(51) EXECUTOR.—

16 "(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'executor'
17 means—

18 "(i) the executor or administrator of19 the decedent, or

20 "(ii) if there is no executor or admin21 istrator appointed, qualified, and acting
22 within the United States, any person in ac23 tual or constructive possession of any prop24 erty of the decedent.

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1	"(B) AUTHORITY.—For purposes of this
2	title, an executor shall be authorized to act on
3	behalf of the decedent, including with respect to
4	any liability or obligation incurred under this
5	title which preceded the death of the decedent.
6	"(C) Regulations.—The Secretary shall
7	issue such regulations or other guidance as may
8	be necessary or appropriate to determine the
9	executor of a decedent in the case where 2 or
10	more persons satisfy the applicable require-
11	ments under subparagraph (A) with respect to
12	the decedent.".
13	(b) Conforming Amendments.—
14	(1) Section 2652 of the Internal Revenue Code
15	of 1986 is amended by striking subsection (d).
16	(2) Section 6036 of such Code is amended by
17	striking "(as defined in section 2203)".
18	(3) The table of sections for subchapter C of
19	chapter 11 of subtitle B of such Code is amended
20	by striking the item relating to section 2203.
21	(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
22	this section shall take effect on the date of enactment of
23	this Act.