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To establish a policy framework that offers and rewards work, strengthens the incentive to work, greatly reduces poverty, and creates new jobs in the United States, and for other purposes.

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Ms. Baldwin (for herself and Mr. Booker) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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; TABLE OF CONTENTS.
- 4 (a) Short Title.—This Act may be cited as the
- 5 "Stronger Way Act".
- 6 (b) Table of Contents.—The table of contents of
- 7 this Act is as follows:
 - Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

- Sec. 101. Purposes.
- Sec. 102. Definitions.
- Sec. 103. Transitional jobs.
- Sec. 104. Authorization of appropriations.

TITLE II—POVERTY REDUCTION TAX CREDITS

- Sec. 201. Reform of earned income credit.
- Sec. 202. Establishment of fully refundable child tax credit.

TITLE I—TRANSITIONAL JOBS

2 PROGRAM

3 SEC. 101. PURPOSES.

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- 4 The purposes of the transitional jobs program under
- 5 this title are to—
- 6 (1) reduce poverty and unemployment;
- 7 (2) offer unemployed or partially employed indi-
- 8 viduals, in any local area in a State, the opportunity
- 9 to work in a transitional job for the purpose of ena-
- bling such individuals to gain, through wage-paying
- jobs, the experience and skills needed to move into
- regular employment; and
- 13 (3) assist employers to create new regular em-
- ployment.

15 SEC. 102. DEFINITIONS.

- 16 In this title:
- 17 (1) Employer of record.—The term "em-
- ployer of record" means a local government, non-
- profit, or for-profit entity selected under section
- 103(c)(3)(A) to carry out the responsibilities de-
- scribed in section 103(d).

1	(2) Host site employer.—The term "host
2	site employer" means an employer that—
3	(A) provides an individual who is eligible
4	for a transitional job with the opportunity to
5	work in a specific transitional job for which the
6	individual is qualified, as determined by such
7	employer, at a worksite that is under the direct
8	supervision of such employer; and
9	(B) agrees to be responsible for—
10	(i) selecting, training, and supervising
11	the transitional jobs worker, including pro-
12	viding a written job description, initial
13	training, ongoing management, and peri-
14	odic performance reviews;
15	(ii) certifying to the employer of
16	record, in the manner prescribed by the
17	Secretary, the number of hours that the
18	transitional jobs worker has worked for the
19	host site employer; and
20	(iii) cooperating with the employer of
21	record in facilitating the movement of the
22	transitional jobs worker into regular em-
23	ployment.

1	(3) Local area.—The term "local area"
2	means a city, county, or other general purpose polit-
3	ical subdivision of a State.
4	(4) Regular employment.—The term "reg-
5	ular employment" means regular, unsubsidized em-
6	ployment, as defined by the Secretary.
7	(5) Secretary.—The term "Secretary" means
8	the Secretary of Labor.
9	(6) State.—The term "State" means each of
10	the several States of the United States, the District
11	of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.
12	(7) Transitional Job.—The term "transi-
13	tional job" means a job offered to an eligible indi-
14	vidual through the program authorized under section
15	103 that—
16	(A) provides the rate of pay described in
17	section $103(d)(6)$; and
18	(B) provides the individual with employ-
19	ment of—
20	(i) not less than 16 hours per week;
21	and
22	(ii) not more than 40 hours per week,
23	when combined with any hours per week of
24	work that the individual is employed
25	through any other employer (if applicable).

1 SEC. 103. TRANSITIONAL JOBS.

2	(a) Program Authorized.—From amounts made
3	available under section 104, the Secretary shall establish
4	a program, through grant agreements described in sub-
5	section (c) with State and local government agencies, that
6	provides eligible unemployed or partially employed individ-
7	uals with opportunities to work in a transitional job for
8	the purpose of enabling such individuals to gain, through
9	wage-paying jobs, the experience and skills needed to move
10	into regular employment.
11	(b) Eligibility.—To be eligible for a transitional
12	job, an individual shall—
13	(1) be a resident of the United States, and a
14	resident of the State in which the individual applies
15	for a transitional job;
16	(2) be not less than 18 years of age;
17	(3) not be incarcerated in any Federal or State
18	penal institution, unless the individual is partici-
19	pating in a work-release program authorized by the
20	United States or a State and the United States or
21	the State authorizes employment under this cir-
22	cumstance in a transitional job; and
23	(4) be unemployed, or employed for less than
24	30 hours per week, for not less than 4 consecutive
25	weeks preceding the individual's application for a
26	transitional job.

1	(c) Transitional Jobs Program Administra-
2	TION.—
3	(1) In General.—The Secretary shall enter
4	into agreements with State and local government
5	agencies under which—
6	(A) the State and local government agen-
7	cies carry out all activities described in para-
8	graph (3); and
9	(B) the Secretary provides grants to the
10	State and local government agencies to carry
11	out such activities.
12	(2) Selection Criteria.—The Secretary shall
13	select State and local government agencies for the
14	agreements described in paragraph (1) based on—
15	(A) the agencies' level of experience and
16	commitment to transitional jobs programs; and
17	(B) such other criteria as the Secretary de-
18	termines appropriate, which may include cri-
19	teria relating to the implementation by such
20	agencies of transitional jobs program models
21	under this title.
22	(3) Activities.—The activities described in
23	this paragraph are the following:
24	(A) Select, on a competitive basis, and
25	enter into a contract with one or more local

1	government, nonprofit, or for-profit entities
2	to—
3	(i) administer the transitional jobs
4	program in the State or local area to be
5	served; and
6	(ii) function as the employer of record
7	described in subsection (d).
8	(B) Pay each entity selected to serve as an
9	employer of record, based upon the terms of the
10	contract and full documentation of perform-
11	ance, for the entity's performance of its con-
12	tractually defined services in administering the
13	transitional jobs program, including reimburse-
14	ment of the entity for appropriate wages and
15	taxes the entity has paid, as required under
16	paragraphs (6) and (7) of subsection (d), to or
17	on behalf of eligible individuals who worked in
18	transitional jobs in the entity's capacity as an
19	employer of record. A State or local govern-
20	mental agency may require a host employer to
21	pay a portion of the appropriate wages and
22	taxes for the individual.
23	(C) Cooperate with the Comptroller Gen-
24	eral of the United States, the Congressional
25	Budget Office, and other Federal and State

1	agencies in the performance of audits and the
2	conduct of fiscal and programmatic oversight.
3	(D) Annually submit to the Secretary, and
4	to the governor or other chief executive officer
5	of the State in which the program is located
6	and the State legislature, a report on the State
7	or local government agency's role and accom-
8	plishments in the operation of the transitional
9	jobs program, in a format specified by the Sec-
10	retary.
11	(E) Conduct, or enter into arrangements
12	with independent academic or research organi-
13	zations to conduct, periodic evaluations of the
14	effectiveness of the program within the State or
15	local area served in—
16	(i) reducing poverty and unemploy-
17	ment;
18	(ii) enabling unemployed and under-
19	employed individuals to gain the experience
20	and skills needed to move into regular em-
21	ployment; and
22	(iii) assisting employers in creating
23	new regular employment.

1 (F) Promulgate any rules necessary for the 2 agency's operation of the transitional jobs pro-3 gram.

(4) Scope of Program.—

- (A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall, to the greatest extent practicable and subject to the availability of appropriations, ensure that the agreements described in paragraph (1) make the transitional jobs program available to eligible individuals in all local areas of all States.
- (B) Individuals with significant barriers to employment.—Notwithstanding subparagraph (A), a State or local government agency entering into an agreement under paragraph (1) may, in carrying out the activities described in paragraph (3), choose to target the assistance to eligible individuals under subsection (b) who have significant barriers to employment.
- (C) Use of existing systems.—A State or local government agency entering into an agreement under paragraph (1) may carry out the activities described in paragraph (3) through, or in alignment with, other subsidized

1	employment and job training activities or sys-
2	tems available within the State or local area.

- 3 (d) RESPONSIBILITIES OF AN EMPLOYER OF
 4 RECORD.—Each local government, nonprofit, or for-profit
 5 entity selected to serve as an employer of record under
 6 subsection (c)(3)(A) shall do each of the following:
- 7 (1) Determine the eligibility of individuals applying for the transitional jobs program under this title.
 - (2) Conduct orientation activities for individuals that the employer of record has determined are eligible for the transitional jobs program.
 - (3) Assess the education, prior work experience, and other relevant factors of each eligible individual who requests a transitional job, for the purpose of assisting the individual to be successful in applying for and performing well in a specific transitional job.
 - (4) Connect each eligible individual requesting a transitional job to the one-stop delivery system established under section 121(e) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3151(e)), and to other resources that provide assistance to job seekers.
- 24 (5) Offer each eligible individual who desires to 25 work in a transitional job and meets the eligibility

1	requirements under paragraphs (1) through (4) of
2	subsection (b) the opportunity to work for a host
3	site employer. The host site employer may be—
4	(A) the employer of record; or
5	(B) another organization that has entered
6	into an agreement with the employer of record
7	and as part of such agreement, agrees to func-
8	tion as, and meet the responsibilities of, a host
9	site employer, for a period not to exceed 30
10	weeks, subject to the requirements of subsection
11	(e).
12	(6) Pay each individual described in paragraph
13	(5), for each hour of work performed for the host
14	site employer, an amount at a rate of pay that is
15	equal to, or greater than, the greater of—
16	(A) the minimum wage rate applicable in
17	the State in which the applicable position is lo-
18	cated;
19	(B) the wage rate applicable under section
20	6 of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 (29
21	U.S.C. 206); or
22	(C) if the State or local governmental
23	agency determines appropriate, the prevailing
24	wage rate, as determined by the State or local

1	governmental agency, for the type of work per-
2	formed by the individual.
3	(7) With respect to the employment of each in-
4	dividual described in paragraph (5)—
5	(A) pay any applicable Federal taxes for
6	employers, including the employer taxes im-
7	posed under sections 3111, 3221, and 3301 of
8	the Internal Revenue Code of 1986;
9	(B) pay any other State or local govern-
10	ment taxes that employers in the relevant State
11	or local area are required to pay;
12	(C) withhold from the individual's earnings
13	the taxes imposed under sections 3101 and
14	3201 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986,
15	and any other Federal, State or local tax re-
16	quired to be withheld for employees;
17	(D) complete and submit to the appro-
18	priate government agencies, all required Fed-
19	eral, State, or local tax-related and employ-
20	ment-related forms that an employer would
21	typically submit, including by ensuring that
22	each individual provides the information nec-
23	essary for the completion of such forms;

1	(E) provide the individual with a Form W-
2	2 Wage and Tax Statement for the calendar
3	year;
4	(F) provide for workers' compensation cov-
5	erage for the individual under the applicable
6	Federal and State workers' compensation laws;
7	(G) perform, either directly or through an
8	agreement described in paragraph (5)(B) with a
9	host site employer, all other functions that an
10	employer would typically perform;
11	(H) comply with the requirements for pro-
12	viding health insurance coverage under the Pa-
13	tient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Pub-
14	lic Law 111–148), including the amendments
15	made by such Act; and
16	(I) provide any benefits that are otherwise
17	required of employers in the relevant State or
18	local area.
19	(8) Ensure that no transitional job would result
20	in a violation of any of the worker protections pro-
21	vided in subsection (f).
22	(e) Duration of Transitional Job.—
23	(1) In general.—An individual may work in a
24	transitional job for a period not to exceed 30 weeks,
25	as long as—

1	(A) the individual continues to meet the
2	eligibility requirements for a transitional job
3	under paragraphs (1) through (3) of subsection
4	(b);
5	(B) the individual, during the period of
6	employment in the transitional job, pursues ef-
7	forts to replace hours of work in the transi-
8	tional job with regular employment;
9	(C) the individual has not—
10	(i) obtained regular employment that
11	consistently equals or exceeds 30 hours of
12	work per week; or
13	(ii) turned down any appropriate offer
14	for such regular employment, as deter-
15	mined by the Secretary; and
16	(D) if the individual receives and accepts
17	an appropriate offer for such regular employ-
18	ment, the individual does not postpone the
19	starting date for such employment beyond the
20	earliest date practicable, as determined by the
21	Secretary, even if such date occurs before the
22	individual has reached the maximum transi-
23	tional job time period of 30 weeks.
24	(2) Additional transitional job.—A State
25	or local government agency administering a transi-

- tional jobs program under this section shall, subject
 to the availability of funds, allow an individual who
 has completed the maximum number of weeks in a
 transitional job an opportunity to work in a different
 transitional job, under the same terms and conditions established under this section, if the individual—
 - (A) is unable, after the end of 30 weeks of employment in a transitional job, to find regular employment that consistently equals or exceeds 30 hours per week;
 - (B) engages in an intensive job search, as defined by the Secretary, for not less than 4 consecutive weeks following the completion of a transitional job, and remains unable to find regular employment; and
 - (C) meets the eligibility requirements under paragraphs (1) through (4) of subsection (b).

(f) Worker Protections.—

(1) Prohibition against violation of contracts.—A transitional job shall not violate an existing contract for services or a collective bargaining agreement, and a transitional job that would violate a collective bargaining agreement shall not be under-

1	taken without the written concurrence of the labor
2	organization and employer concerned.
3	(2) Other prohibitions.—An individual de-
4	scribed in subsection (d)(5) shall not be assigned to
5	a transitional job—
6	(A) when any other individual is on layoft
7	from the same or any substantially equivalent
8	job;
9	(B) if the employer has terminated the em-
10	ployment of any regular employee or otherwise
11	caused an involuntary reduction in its workforce
12	with the intention of filling the vacancy so cre-
13	ated with the individual working in the transi-
14	tional job; or
15	(C) if the employer has caused an involun-
16	tary reduction to less than full time in hours of
17	any employee in the same or a substantially
18	equivalent job.
19	(g) Evaluations.—The Secretary may reserve not
20	more than a total of 10 percent of the amounts made
21	available under section 104 for—
22	(1) evaluations of transitional jobs program
23	models implemented with grants awarded under this
24	title, and

- 1 (2) other evaluations of grants and activities 2 carried out under this title.
- 3 SEC. 104. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.
- 4 There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out
- 5 this title such sums as may be necessary.

6 TITLE II—POVERTY REDUCTION 7 TAX CREDITS

- 8 SEC. 201. REFORM OF EARNED INCOME CREDIT.
- 9 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 32 of the Internal Rev-
- 10 enue Code of 1986 is amended—
- 11 (1) by amending subsection (b) to read as fol-
- lows:
- 13 "(b) Percentages and Amounts.—For purposes
- 14 of subsection (a):
- 15 "(1) Percentages.—The credit percentage
- and the phaseout percentage shall be determined as
- 17 follows:

"In the case of an eligible individual with:	The credit percentage is:	The phase- out percent- age is:
No qualifying children	23.15	23.15
1 qualifying child	70	23.85
2 qualifying children	75	24.50
3 or more qualifying children	80	29.70.

- 18 "(2) Amounts.—
- 19 "(A) In General.—Subject to subpara-
- graph (B), the earned income amount and the

phaseout amount shall be determined as follows:

"In the case of an eligible individual with:	The earned income amount is:	The phase- out amount is:
No qualifying children	\$6,612	\$16,969
1 qualifying child	\$8,277	\$15,000
2 qualifying children	\$9,675	\$15,000
3 qualifying children	\$12,220	\$15,000.

"(B) Joint returns.—

"(i) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in clause (ii), in the case of a joint return filed by an eligible individual and such individual's spouse, the phaseout amount determined under subparagraph (A) shall be increased by \$5,550.

"(ii) Taxpayers with no qualifying child for the taxable year, the phaseout amount in the third column of the first row of the table in subparagraph (A) shall be increased by \$8,000.",

(2) in subclause (II) of subsection (c)(1)(A)(ii), by striking "attained age 25 but not attained age 65" and inserting "attained age 21 but not attained age 67", and

1	(3) by amending subsection (j) to read as fol-
2	lows:
3	"(j) Inflation Adjustments.—
4	"(1) In general.—In the case of any taxable
5	year beginning after 2017, each of the dollar
6	amounts in subparagraph (A) of subsection (b)(2)
7	(after being increased under subparagraph (B)
8	thereof) shall be increased by an amount equal to—
9	"(A) such dollar amount, multiplied by
10	"(B) the cost-of-living adjustment deter-
11	mined under section $1(f)(3)$ for the calendar
12	year in which the taxable year begins, deter-
13	mined by substituting 'calendar year 2016' for
14	'calendar year 1992' in subparagraph (B)
15	thereof.
16	"(2) Rounding.—If any dollar amount in-
17	creased under paragraph (1) is not a multiple of
18	\$50, such dollar amount shall be rounded to the
19	nearest multiple of \$50.".
20	(b) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
21	this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
22	December 31, 2016.

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1	SEC. 202. ESTABLISHMENT OF FULLY REFUNDABLE CHILD
2	TAX CREDIT.
3	(a) Elimination of Existing Child Tax Cred-
4	IT.—Subpart A of part IV of subchapter A of chapter 1
5	of subtitle A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is
6	amended by striking section 24.
7	(b) Establishment of Fully Refundable
8	CHILD TAX CREDIT.—Subpart C of part IV of subchapter
9	A of chapter 1 of subtitle A of such Code is amended by
10	inserting after section 36B the following new section:
11	"SEC. 36C. CHILD TAX CREDIT.
12	"(a) Allowance of Credit.—In the case of a tax-
13	payer with a qualifying child, there shall be allowed as a
14	credit against the tax imposed by this subtitle for the tax-
15	able year an amount equal to 15 percent of the taxpayer's
16	earned income (within the meaning of section 32) which
17	is taken into account in computing taxable income for the
18	taxable year.
19	"(b) Limitation.—
20	"(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
21	graph (2), the amount of the credit allowable to a
22	taxpayer by subsection (a) for the taxable year shall
23	not exceed an amount equal to the product of

\$1,000 and the number of qualifying children of the

taxpayer.

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1	"(2) Reduction based on modified ad-
2	JUSTED GROSS INCOME.—
3	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The amount which
4	would (but for this paragraph) be allowable as
5	a credit under this subsection shall be reduced
6	(but not below zero) by $$50$ for each $$1,000$ (or
7	fraction thereof) by which the taxpayer's modi-
8	fied adjusted gross income exceeds—
9	"(i) \$110,000 in the case of a joint
10	return,
11	"(ii) \$75,000 in the case of an indi-
12	vidual who is not married, and
13	"(iii) \$55,000 in the case of a married
14	individual filing a separate return.
15	"(B) Marital Status.—For purposes of
16	this paragraph, marital status shall be deter-
17	mined under section 7703.
18	"(c) Qualifying Child.—
19	"(1) In general.—In this section, the term
20	'qualifying child' means a qualifying child of the tax-
21	payer (as defined in section 152(c)) who has not at-
22	tained age 17.
23	"(2) Exception for Certain Non-Citi-
24	ZENS.—The term 'qualifying child' shall not include
25	any individual who would not be a dependent if sub-

1 paragraph (A) of section 152(b)(3) were applied 2 without regard to all that follows 'resident of the 3 United States'. "(d) Modified Adjusted Gross Income.—In this 4 5 section, the term 'modified adjusted gross income' means 6 adjusted gross income increased by any amount excluded 7 from gross income under section 911, 931, or 933. "(e) Inflation Adjustment.— 8 9 "(1) IN GENERAL.—In the case of any taxable 10 year beginning after 2017, the \$1,000 amount in 11 subsection (b)(1) shall be increased by an amount 12 equal to— "(A) such dollar amount, multiplied by 13 14 "(B) the cost-of-living adjustment deter-15 mined under section 1(f)(3) for the calendar 16 year in which the taxable year begins deter-17 mined by substituting 'calendar year 2016' for 18 'calendar year 1992' in subparagraph (B) 19 thereof. "(2) ROUNDING.—If any increase determined 20 21 under paragraph (1) is not a multiple of \$50, such 22 increase shall be rounded to the nearest multiple of 23 \$50. "(f) IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.— 24

1	"(1) QUALIFYING CHILD IDENTIFICATION RE-
2	QUIREMENT.—No credit shall be allowed under this
3	section to a taxpayer with respect to any qualifying
4	child unless the taxpayer includes the name and tax-
5	payer identification number of such qualifying child
6	on the return of tax for the taxable year and such
7	taxpayer identification number was issued on or be-
8	fore the due date for filing such return.
9	"(2) Taxpayer identification require-
10	MENT.—No credit shall be allowed under this section
11	if the identifying number of the taxpayer was issued
12	after the due date for filing the return for the tax-
13	able year.
14	"(g) Taxable Year Must Be Full Taxable
15	YEAR.—Except in the case of a taxable year closed by rea-
16	son of the death of the taxpayer, no credit shall be allow-
17	able under this section in the case of a taxable year cov-
18	ering a period of less than 12 months.
19	"(h) RESTRICTIONS ON TAXPAYERS WHO IMPROP-
20	ERLY CLAIMED CREDIT IN PRIOR YEAR.—
21	"(1) Taxpayers making prior fraudulent
22	OR RECKLESS CLAIMS.—
23	"(A) IN GENERAL.—No credit shall be al-
24	lowed under this section for any taxable year in
25	the disallowance period.

1	"(B) DISALLOWANCE PERIOD.—For pur-
2	poses of subparagraph (A), the disallowance pe-
3	riod is—
4	"(i) the period of 10 taxable years
5	after the most recent taxable year for
6	which there was a final determination that
7	the taxpayer's claim of credit under this
8	section was due to fraud, and
9	"(ii) the period of 2 taxable years
10	after the most recent taxable year for
11	which there was a final determination that
12	the taxpayer's claim of credit under this
13	section was due to reckless or intentional
14	disregard of rules and regulations (but not
15	due to fraud).
16	"(2) Taxpayers making improper prior
17	CLAIMS.—In the case of a taxpayer who is denied
18	credit under this section for any taxable year as a
19	result of the deficiency procedures under subchapter
20	B of chapter 63, no credit shall be allowed under
21	this section for any subsequent taxable year unless
22	the taxpayer provides such information as the Sec-
23	retary may require to demonstrate eligibility for
24	such credit.".
25	(c) Conforming Amendments.—

1	(1) The table of sections for subpart A of part
2	IV of subchapter A of chapter 1 of subtitle A of the
3	Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by strik-
4	ing the item relating to section 24.
5	(2) The table of sections for subpart C of part
6	IV of subchapter A of chapter 1 of subtitle A of
7	such Code is amended by inserting after the item re-
8	lating to section 36B the following:
	"Sec. 36C. Child tax credit.".
9	(3) Subparagraph (B) of section 45R(f)(3) of
10	such Code is amended to read as follows:
11	"(B) Special Rule.—Any amounts paid
12	pursuant to an agreement under section 3121(1)
13	(relating to agreements entered into by Amer-
14	ican employers with respect to foreign affiliates)
15	which are equivalent to the taxes referred to in
16	subparagraph (A) shall be treated as taxes re-
17	ferred to in such subparagraph.".
18	(4) Section 152(f)(6)(B)(ii) of such Code is
19	amended by striking "section 24" and inserting
20	"section 36C".
21	(5) Paragraph (26) of section 501(c) of such
22	Code is amended in the flush matter at the end by
23	striking "section 24(c)" and inserting "section

36C(c)".

1	(6) Section $6211(b)(4)(A)$ of such Code is
2	amended by inserting "36C," after "36B,".
3	(7) Section 6213(g)(2) of such Code is amend-
4	ed—
5	(A) in subparagraph (I), by striking "sec-
6	tion 24(e)" and inserting "section 36C(d)", and
7	(B) in subparagraph (L), by striking "24,
8	32" and inserting "32, 36C".
9	(8) Subchapter B of chapter 65 of subtitle F of
10	such Code is amended by striking section 6429.
11	(9) Paragraph (2) of section 1324(b) of title
12	31, United States Code, is amended by inserting
13	"36C," after "36B,".
14	(d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
15	this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
16	December 31, 2016.

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