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To repeal the tax increase on social security benefits and to reduce Federal spending as necessary to offset such repeal.

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Mr. NADLER (for himself and Mrs. LOWEY) introduced the following bill; which was referred jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means, Science, Space, and Technology, Armed Services, Agriculture, and Natural Resources

A BILL

To repeal the tax increase on social security benefits and to reduce Federal spending as necessary to offset such repeal.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **TITLE I—REPEAL OF TAX IN-**
4 **CREASE ON SOCIAL SECU-**
5 **RITY BENEFITS**

6 **SEC. 101. REPEAL OF TAX INCREASE ON SOCIAL SECURITY**
7 **BENEFITS.**

8 Section 13215 of the Revenue Reconciliation Act of
9 1993 is hereby repealed, and the Internal Revenue Code

1 of 1986 shall be applied and administered as if such sec-
2 tion (and the amendments made thereby) had not been
3 enacted.

4 **TITLE II—REDUCTIONS IN**
5 **SPENDING**

6 **SEC. 201. TERMINATION OF SPACE STATION.**

7 The Administrator of the National Aeronautics and
8 Space Administration shall terminate the Space Station
9 Freedom program. After the date of enactment of this
10 Act, no funds may be obligated for such program except
11 as necessary to meet required contract termination costs.

12 **SEC. 202. TERMINATION OF PROCUREMENT OF F-16 AIR-**
13 **CRAFT.**

14 The Secretary of Defense shall terminate procure-
15 ment of new production F-16 aircraft for the Air Force.
16 After the date of the enactment of this Act, no funds may
17 be obligated for production of such aircraft except as nec-
18 essary to meet required contract termination costs. The
19 Secretary shall carry out this section so as to achieve sav-
20 ings in defense budgets during the period of fiscal year
21 1994 through fiscal year 1998 of not less than
22 \$1,700,000,000.

23 **SEC. 203. DELAY IN PROCUREMENT OF F-22 AIRCRAFT.**

24 The Secretary of Defense shall extend current pro-
25 curement schedules for procurement under the F-22 air-

1 craft program of the Air Force so as to achieve savings
2 in defense budgets during the period of fiscal year 1994
3 through fiscal year 1998 of not less than \$2,200,000,000.

4 **SEC. 204. REDUCTION IN ATTACK SUBMARINE FORCE.**

5 The Secretary of Defense shall, not later than the
6 end of fiscal year 1998, reduce the number of attack sub-
7 marines in active Navy forces to not more than 40. The
8 Secretary shall carry out this section so as to achieve sav-
9 ings in defense budgets during the period of fiscal year
10 1994 through fiscal year 1998 of not less than
11 \$2,900,000,000.

12 **SEC. 205. REDUCTION IN BALLISTIC MISSILE SUBMARINE**
13 **FORCE.**

14 (a) **TERMINATION OF PRODUCTION OF D-5 MIS-**
15 **SILE.**—The Secretary of Defense shall terminate procure-
16 ment of Trident II (D-5) sea-launched ballistic missiles
17 for the Navy. After the date of the enactment of this Act,
18 no funds may be obligated for procurement of such mis-
19 siles except as necessary to meet required contract termi-
20 nation costs.

21 (b) **REDUCTION IN SUBMARINE FORCE.**—The Sec-
22 retary of Defense shall, not later than the end of fiscal
23 year 1998, reduce the number of Trident ballistic missile
24 submarines in active Navy forces to not more than 14.

1 (c) SAVINGS.—The Secretary shall carry out this sec-
2 tion so as to achieve savings in defense budgets during
3 the period of fiscal year 1994 through fiscal year 1998
4 of not less than \$5,300,000,000.

5 **SEC. 206. DELAY IN PROCUREMENT OF TRISERVICE STAND-**
6 **OFF ATTACK MISSILE.**

7 The Secretary of Defense shall delay procurement of
8 the Tri-Service Stand-Off Attack Missile for five years and
9 shall, during the period of fiscal year 1994 through fiscal
10 year 1998, continue research, development, test, and eval-
11 uation for that missile at the fiscal year 1993 level so as
12 to achieve savings in defense budgets during that period
13 of not less than \$1,400,000,000.

14 **SEC. 207. ELIMINATION OF HONEY PRICE SUPPORT PRO-**
15 **GRAM.**

16 (a) IN GENERAL.—Sections 207 and 405A of the Ag-
17 ricultural Act of 1949 (7 U.S.C. 1446h and 1425a, respec-
18 tively) are repealed.

19 (b) PAYMENT LIMITATIONS.—Section 1001(2) of the
20 Food Security Act of 1985 (7 U.S.C. 1308(2)) is amend-
21 ed—

22 (1) in subparagraph (B)(iii), by striking “(other
23 than honey)”; and

24 (2) by striking subparagraph (C).

1 (c) DESIGNATED NONBASIC AGRICULTURAL COM-
2 MODITIES.—Section 201(a) of the Agricultural Act of
3 1949 (7 U.S.C. 1446(a)) is amended by striking “honey,”.

4 (d) OTHER NONBASIC AGRICULTURAL COMMOD-
5 ITIES.—Section 301 of the Agricultural Act of 1949 (7
6 U.S.C. 1447) is amended by inserting after “nonbasic ag-
7 ricultural commodity” the following: “(other than
8 honey)”.

9 (e) DEFINITIONS.—Section 408(k) of the Agricul-
10 tural Act of 1949 (7 U.S.C. 1428(k)) is amended by strik-
11 ing “honey,” each place it appears.

12 (f) POWERS OF COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORA-
13 TION.—Section 5(a) of the Commodity Credit Corporation
14 Charter Act (15 U.S.C. 714c(a)) is amended by inserting
15 after “agricultural commodities” the following: “(other
16 than honey)”.

17 (g) TRANSITION.—The amendments made by this
18 section shall not affect the liability of any person under
19 any provision of law as in effect before the application of
20 the amendments in accordance with subsection (d).

21 (h) APPLICATION OF AMENDMENTS.—The amend-
22 ments made by this section shall apply beginning with the
23 crop year that begins after the date of enactment of this
24 Act.

1 **SEC. 208. ELIMINATION OF BELOW-COST TIMBER SALES.**

2 (a) RULES REQUIRED.—Not later than six months
3 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary
4 of Agriculture shall issue rules relating to the conditions
5 under which the Forest Service may approve of sales of
6 trees, portions of trees, or forest products from National
7 Forest System lands.

8 (b) CONTENT OF RULES.—The rules required under
9 subsection (a) shall—

10 (1) require that after the end of the one-year
11 period beginning on the date of the enactment of
12 this Act, the total cost to the United States of carry-
13 ing out each timber sale described in subsection (a)
14 (including the advertising, planning, review, ap-
15 proval, and monitoring costs attributable to the sale
16 and road building costs incurred for the sale) is not
17 greater than the amount paid to the United States
18 Service for the sale; and

19 (2) establish a procedure to phase in the appli-
20 cation of such requirement during that period.

21 (c) PHASE-IN PERIOD.—The rules required under
22 subsection (a) shall provide that, during the phase-in pe-
23 riod, the Forest Service in determining whether to approve
24 a below-cost timber sale shall give priority to those below-
25 cost timber sales that would have the least adverse envi-
26 ronmental effects.

1 **SEC. 209. FEES CHARGED FOR GRAZING ON PUBLIC LANDS.**

2 (a) INCREASE TO FAIR MARKET VALUE.—Notwith-
3 standing any other provision of law, the Secretary of Agri-
4 culture, with respect to National Forest lands in the 16
5 contiguous western States (except National Grasslands)
6 administered by the United States Forest Service where
7 domestic livestock grazing is permitted under applicable
8 law, and the Secretary of the Interior with respect to pub-
9 lic domain lands administered by the Bureau of Land
10 Management where domestic livestock grazing is per-
11 mitted under applicable law, shall increase domestic live-
12 stock grazing fees beginning with the grazing season
13 which commences on March 1, 1994, so that for the graz-
14 ing season commencing on March 1, 1998, and thereafter
15 such fees are equal to fair market value, as determined
16 by the Secretary concerned.

17 (b) ANNUAL CAP ON FEE CHANGES.—The fee for
18 grazing charged for any given year under this section may
19 not increase or decrease by more than 33.3 percent from
20 the previous year's grazing fee.

21 **SEC. 210. ROYALTY ON HARDROCK MINERALS.**

22 (a) RESERVATION OF ROYALTY.—Production of
23 locatable minerals from a claim located on lands open to
24 mineral entry under the Mining Law of 1872 shall be sub-
25 ject to an annual royalty of not less than 8 percent of
26 the gross income from such production.

1 (b) PAYMENT OF ROYALTY.—Royalty payments shall
2 be made according to regulations established by the Sec-
3 retary of the Interior. The Secretary of the Interior may
4 require to be filed with the royalty payment a copy of the
5 parts of the tax return filed with the Internal Revenue
6 Service determined by the Secretary of the Interior to be
7 applicable to determining gross income. The Commissioner
8 of the Internal Revenue Service shall cooperate with the
9 Secretary of the Interior to verify the information submit-
10 ted with such royalty payment.

11 (c) FAILURE TO PAY.—(1) Upon failure to pay the
12 royalty required by this section, the claim shall be deemed
13 conclusively to be abandoned and shall be null and void
14 by operation of law.

15 (2) The claimant shall be prohibited from locating a
16 new claim on the lands included in such abandoned claim
17 for one year from the date such claim is deemed aban-
18 doned and null and void by operation of law.

19 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall take effect
20 on the date of enactment in the case of any claim de-
21 scribed in subsection (a) which is located after the date
22 of enactment of this Act. In the case of any claim located
23 on or before such date of enactment, this section shall take
24 effect on the later of October 1 of 1993 or such date of
25 enactment.

1 (e) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section—

2 (1) The term “locatable minerals” means any
3 mineral not subject to disposition under—

4 (A) the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C.
5 181 et seq.);

6 (B) the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970
7 (30 U.S.C. 1000 et seq.); or

8 (C) the Act of July 31, 1947 (30 U.S. 601
9 et seq.), as amended by this Act.

10 (2) The term “gross income” means “gross in-
11 come from the property” as defined in section
12 613(c)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code and in regu-
13 lations promulgated by the Treasury Department
14 pursuant to section 613(c)(1) of the Internal Reve-
15 nue Code. Any amendments or revisions of section
16 613(c)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code or of regula-
17 tions promulgated by the Treasury Department pur-
18 suant to section 613(c)(1) of the Internal Revenue
19 Code, shall be deemed applicable to the definition of
20 “gross income” as used in this section.

21 (3) The term “Mining Law of 1872” means the
22 general mining laws of the United States which gen-
23 erally comprise chapters 2, 12A, and 16, and sec-
24 tions 161 and 162 of title 30, United States Code.

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