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# H. R. 1874

To amend the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to provide for  
macroeconomic analysis of the impact of legislation.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. PRICE of Georgia (for himself, Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin, Mrs. BLACK, Mr. CHAFFETZ, Mr. COLLINS of Georgia, Mr. COTTON, Mr. GARRETT, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. GRAVES of Georgia, Mr. HENSARLING, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. MARCHANT, Mr. MULVANEY, Mr. RADEL, Mr. REED, Mr. RIBBLE, Mr. ROSS, Mr. SCALISE, Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. WESTMORELAND, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. WOODALL, Mr. JORDAN, Mr. BARR, Mr. TERRY, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mr. BISHOP of Utah, Mr. PITTENGER, Mr. YODER, and Mr. FORTENBERRY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, 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

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## A BILL

To amend the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to provide  
for macroeconomic analysis of the impact of legislation.

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 “Pro-Growth Budgeting  
5 Act of 2013”.

1 **SEC. 2. MACROECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSES.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Part A of title IV of the Congres-  
3 sional Budget Act of 1974 is amended by adding at the  
4 end the following new section:

5 “MACROECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS OF MAJOR  
6 LEGISLATION

7 “SEC. 407. (a) CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE.—  
8 The Congressional Budget Office shall, to the extent prac-  
9 ticable, prepare for each major bill or resolution reported  
10 by any committee of the House of Representatives or the  
11 Senate (except the Committee on Appropriations of each  
12 House), as a supplement to estimates prepared under sec-  
13 tion 402, a macroeconomic impact analysis of the budg-  
14 etary effects of such bill or resolution for the ten fiscal-  
15 year period beginning with the first fiscal year for which  
16 an estimate was prepared under section 402 and each of  
17 the next three ten fiscal-year periods. Such estimate shall  
18 be predicated upon the supplemental projection described  
19 in section 202(e)(4). The Director shall submit to such  
20 committee the macroeconomic impact analysis, together  
21 with the basis for the analysis. As a supplement to esti-  
22 mates prepared under section 402, all such information  
23 so submitted shall be included in the report accompanying  
24 such bill or resolution.

25 “(b) ECONOMIC IMPACT.—The analysis prepared  
26 under subsection (a) shall describe the potential economic

1 impact of the applicable major bill or resolution on major  
2 economic variables, including real gross domestic product,  
3 business investment, the capital stock, employment, inter-  
4 est rates, and labor supply. The analysis shall also de-  
5 scribe the potential fiscal effects of the bill or resolution,  
6 including any estimates of revenue increases or decreases  
7 resulting from changes in gross domestic product. To the  
8 extent practicable, the analysis should use a variety of eco-  
9 nomic models in order to reflect the full range of possible  
10 economic outcomes resulting from the bill or resolution.  
11 The analysis (or a technical appendix to the analysis) shall  
12 specify the economic and econometric models used, sources  
13 of data, relevant data transformations, and shall include  
14 such explanation as is necessary to make the models com-  
15 prehensible to academic and public policy analysts.

16 “(c) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section—

17 “(1) the term ‘macroeconomic impact analysis’  
18 means—

19 “(A) an estimate of the changes in eco-  
20 nomic output, employment, interest rates, cap-  
21 ital stock, and tax revenues expected to result  
22 from enactment of the proposal;

23 “(B) an estimate of revenue feedback ex-  
24 pected to result from enactment of the proposal;  
25 and

1           “(C) a statement identifying the critical  
2           assumptions and the source of data underlying  
3           that estimate;

4           “(2) the term ‘major bill or resolution’ means  
5           any bill or resolution if the gross budgetary effects  
6           of such bill or resolution for any fiscal year in the  
7           period for which an estimate is prepared under sec-  
8           tion 402 is estimated to be greater than .25 percent  
9           of the current projected gross domestic product of  
10          the United States for any such fiscal year;

11          “(3) the term ‘budgetary effect’, when applied  
12          to a major bill or resolution, means the changes in  
13          revenues, outlays, deficits, and debt resulting from  
14          that measure; and

15          “(4) the term ‘revenue feedback’ means changes  
16          in revenue resulting from changes in economic  
17          growth as the result of the enactment of any major  
18          bill or resolution.”.

19          (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of con-  
20          tents set forth in section 1(b) of the Congressional Budget  
21          Act of 1974 is amended by inserting after the item relat-  
22          ing to section 406 the following new item:

“Sec. 407. Macroeconomic impact analysis of major legislation.”.

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