

Amendment to the Chairman's Mark

Offered by Representatives Doggett, Van Hollen, McCollum, Yarmuth, Pascrell,
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Extend Tax Credit for College Affordability

This deficit-neutral amendment makes the American Opportunity Tax Credit permanent to continue helping more than 9 million students afford the cost of college. The amendment is fully paid for by ending unnecessary tax breaks for special interests, subsidies for big oil companies, egregious tax breaks, or tax cuts for millionaires.

A **YES** vote will continue to help working families afford college through this partially refundable tax credit that covers up to \$2,500 of the annual cost of tuition, fees and course materials, up to a total of \$10,000.

A **NO** vote would allow this tax credit to expire in December, denying help to millions who are trying to obtain the education they need to succeed in a competitive, 21st century global economy.

1. Increase budget authority and outlays for Function 500 by the following amounts in billions of dollars to reflect continuing to help more than 9 million students afford the cost of college by making permanent the American Opportunity Tax Credit.

	<i>2013</i>	<i>2014</i>	<i>2015</i>	<i>2016</i>	<i>2017</i>	<i>2018</i>	<i>2019</i>	<i>2020</i>	<i>2021</i>	<i>2022</i>
BA	0	3.855	3.477	3.247	2.986	2.805	2.786	2.633	2.626	2.550
Outlays	0	3.855	3.477	3.247	2.986	2.805	2.786	2.633	2.626	2.550

2. Adjust the aggregate levels of revenue by amounts equal to the foregoing outlay changes in paragraph 1, reflecting the reduction or elimination of: 1) the Section 199 deduction for domestic production activities for the major integrated oil companies; 2) egregious tax breaks such as tax deductions for corporate jets; 3) loopholes in our international corporate tax system that encourage the outsourcing of manufacturing and result in fewer American jobs to support the middle class; or 4) additional tax cuts for those with adjusted gross incomes above \$1 million annually.
3. Make all necessary and conforming changes to the Chairman's mark.
4. Amend the committee report to reflect the following policy assumptions:

The resolution assumes a permanent extension of the American Opportunity Tax Credit to continue helping working families afford college. This partially refundable tax credit covers up to \$2,500 of the cost of tuition, fees and course materials. It currently helps

more than 9 million students afford the cost of obtaining the education they need to succeed in a competitive, 21st century global economy. Without the extension assumed under the resolution, the tax credit will expire in December 2012.

The resolution accommodates the necessary cost of making the tax credit permanent – both the \$108.2 billion revenue reduction and the increased spending due to the partial refundability of the tax credit – by reducing or eliminating the following: the Section 199 deduction for domestic production activities for the major integrated oil companies; egregious tax breaks such as tax deductions for corporate jets; loopholes in our international corporate tax system that encourage the outsourcing of manufacturing and result in fewer American jobs to support the middle class; and additional tax cuts for those with adjusted gross incomes above \$1 million annually.