119TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION S.
To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to create Universal Savings Accounts.
IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES
introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on

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.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Universal Savings Ac-
- 5 count Act of 2025".
- 6 SEC. 2. UNIVERSAL SAVINGS ACCOUNTS.
- 7 (a) In General.—Subchapter F of Chapter 1 of the
- 8 Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at
- 9 the end the following new part:

1 "PART IX—UNIVERSAL SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

2	"SEC. 530A. UNIVERSAL SAVINGS ACCOUNTS.
3	"(a) General Rule.—A Universal Savings Account
4	shall be exempt from taxation under this subtitle. Not-
5	withstanding the preceding sentence, such account shall
6	be subject to the taxes imposed by section 511 (relating
7	to imposition of tax on unrelated business income of chari-
8	table organizations).
9	"(b) Universal Savings Account.—For purposes
10	of this section, the term 'Universal Savings Account'
11	means a trust created or organized in the United States
12	for the exclusive benefit of an individual and which is des-
13	ignated (in such manner as the Secretary shall prescribe)
14	at the time of the establishment of the trust as a Universal
15	Savings Account, but only if the written governing instru-
16	ment creating the trust meets the following requirements:
17	"(1) Except in the case of a qualified rollover
18	contribution described in subsection (d)—
19	"(A) no contribution will be accepted un-
20	less it is in cash, and
21	"(B) contributions will not be accepted for
22	the calendar year in excess of the contribution
23	limit specified in subsection (c)(1).
24	"(2) The trustee is a bank (as defined in sec-
25	tion 408(n)) or another person who demonstrates to
26	the satisfaction of the Secretary that the manner in

1	which that person will administer the trust will be
2	consistent with the requirements of this section or
3 who has so demonstrated with respect to any	
4	vidual retirement plan.
5	"(3) The interest of an individual in the bal-
6	ance of his account is nonforfeitable.
7	"(4) The assets of the trust shall not be com-
8	mingled with other property except in a common
9	trust fund or common investment fund.
10	"(5) No part of the trust funds will be invested
11	in life insurance contracts.
12	"(c) Treatment of Contributions and Dis-
13	TRIBUTIONS.—
14	"(1) Contribution Limit.—
15	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The aggregate
16	amount of contributions (other than qualified
17	rollover contributions described in subsection
18	(d)) for any calendar year to all Universal Sav-
19	ings Accounts maintained for the benefit of an
20	individual shall not exceed the sum of—
21	"(i) \$10,000, plus
22	"(ii) the product of—
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1	"(II) the number of calendar
2	years after 2024 and before such cal-
3	endar year, plus
4	"(iii) in the case of any calendar year
5	after 2025, the product of—
6	"(I) the sum of the amount in
7	clauses (i) and (ii) for such calendar
8	year, multiplied by
9	"(II) the cost-of-living adjust-
10	ment determined under section 1(f)(3)
11	for the calendar year, determined by
12	substituting 'calendar year 2024' for
13	'calendar year 2016' in subparagraph
14	(A)(ii) thereof.
15	If any increase under clause (iii) is not a
16	multiple of \$100, such amount shall be
17	rounded to the next lower multiple of
18	\$100.
19	"(B) Limitation.—
20	"(i) IN GENERAL.—The amount de-
21	termined under subparagraph (A) for any
22	calendar year shall not exceed \$25,000.
23	"(ii) Inflation adjustment.—In
24	the case of any calendar year after 2025

1	the \$25,000 amount under clause (i) shall
2	be increased by an amount equal to—
3	"(I) such dollar amount, multi-
4	plied by
5	"(II) the cost-of-living adjust-
6	ment determined under section 1(f)(3)
7	for the calendar year, determined by
8	substituting 'calendar year 2024' for
9	'calendar year 2016' in subparagraph
10	(A)(ii) thereof.
11	If any increase under this clause is not a
12	multiple of \$100, such amount shall be
13	rounded to the next lower multiple of
14	\$100.
15	"(2) Distributions.—
16	"(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in
17	subparagraph (B), any distribution from a Uni-
18	versal Savings Account shall not be includible in
19	gross income.
20	"(B) Net income attributable to ex-
21	CESS CONTRIBUTIONS.—Any distribution of net
22	income described in section 4973(i)(2) shall be
23	includible in the gross income of the account
24	holder in the taxable year in which the con-

1	tribution to which such net income relates was
2	made.
3	"(d) Qualified Rollover Contribution.—For
4	purposes of this section, the term 'qualified rollover con-
5	tribution' means a contribution to a Universal Savings Ac-
6	count from another such account of the same beneficiary,
7	but only if such amount is contributed not later than the
8	60th day after the distribution from such other account.
9	"(e) Treatment of Account Upon Death.—
10	Upon death of any account holder of a Universal Savings
11	Account—
12	"(1) Spouse.—In the case of the account hold-
13	er's surviving spouse acquiring such account holder's
14	interest in such account by reason of the death of
15	the account holder, such account shall be treated as
16	if the spouse were the account holder.
17	"(2) Other cases.—In any other case—
18	"(A) all amounts in such account shall be
19	treated as distributed on the date of such indi-
20	vidual's death, and
21	"(B) such account shall cease to be treated
22	as a Universal Savings Account.
23	"(f) Custodial Accounts.—For purposes of this
24	section, a custodial account shall be treated as a trust
25	under this section if the assets of such account are held

- 1 by a bank (as defined in section 408(n)) or another person
- 2 who demonstrates, to the satisfaction of the Secretary,
- 3 that the manner in which he will administer the account
- 4 will be consistent with the requirements of this section,
- 5 and if the custodial account would, except for the fact that
- 6 it is not a trust, constitute a trust which meets the re-
- 7 quirements of subsection (b). For purposes of this title,
- 8 in the case of a custodial account treated as a trust by
- 9 reason of the preceding sentence, the custodian of such
- 10 account shall be treated as the trustee thereof.
- 11 "(g) Reports.—The trustee of a Universal Savings
- 12 Account shall make such reports regarding such account
- 13 to the Secretary and to the beneficiary of the account with
- 14 respect to contributions, distributions, and such other
- 15 matters as the Secretary may require. The reports re-
- 16 quired by this subsection shall be filed at such time and
- 17 in such manner and furnished to such individuals at such
- 18 time and in such manner as may be required.".
- 19 (b) Tax on Excess Contributions.—
- 20 (1) In General.—Section 4973(a) is amended
- by striking "or" at the end of paragraph (5), by in-
- serting "or" at the end of paragraph (6), and by in-
- serting after paragraph (6) the following new para-
- 24 graph:

1	"(7) a Universal Savings Account (as defined in
2	section 530U),".
3	(2) Excess contribution.—Section 4973 is
4	amended by adding at the end the following new
5	subsection:
6	"(i) Excess contributions to uni-
7	VERSAL SAVINGS ACCOUNTS.—For pur-
8	poses of this section—
9	"(1) In general.—In the case of Universal
10	Savings Accounts (within the meaning of section
11	530U), the term 'excess contributions' means the
12	sum of—
13	"(A) the amount (if any) by which the
14	amount contributed for the taxable year to such
15	accounts (other than qualified rollover contribu-
16	tions (as defined in section 530U(d))) exceeds
17	the contribution limit under section $530U(c)(2)$
18	for such taxable year, and
19	"(B) the amount determined under this
20	subsection for the preceding taxable year, re-
21	duced by the sum of—
22	"(i) the distributions out of the ac-
23	count for the taxable year, and
24	"(ii) the amount (if any) by which the
25	maximum amount allowable as a contribu-

1	tion under section $530U(c)(2)$ for the tax-
2	able year exceeds the amount contributed
3	to the accounts for the taxable year.
4	"(2) Special rule.—A contribution shall not
5	be taken into account under paragraph (1) if such
6	contribution (together with the amount of net in-
7	come attributable to such contribution) is distributed
8	to the account holder on or before the due date of
9	the account holder's return of tax for such taxable
10	year.".
11	(c) TAX ON EXCESS CONTRIBUTIONS.—
12	(1) In general.—Subsection (a) of section
13	4973 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is
14	amended by striking "or" at the end of paragraph
15	(5), by inserting "or" at the end of paragraph (6),
16	and by inserting after paragraph (6) the following
17	new paragraph:
18	"(7) a Universal Savings Account (as defined in
19	section 530A),".
20	(2) Excess contribution.—Section 4973 of
21	such Code is amended by adding at the end the fol-
22	lowing new subsection:
23	"(i) Excess Contributions to Universal Sav-
24	INGS ACCOUNTS.—For purposes of this section—

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- 1 the account holder's return of tax for such taxable
- 2 year.".
- 3 (d) Tax on Prohibited Transactions.—Section
- 4 4975(e)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is
- 5 amended by striking "or" at the end of subparagraph (F),
- 6 by striking the period at the end of subparagraph (G) and
- 7 inserting ", or", and by adding at the end the following
- 8 new subparagraph:
- 9 "(H) a Universal Savings Account (as de-
- fined in section 530A).".
- 11 (e) Failure to Provide Reports on Universal
- 12 SAVINGS ACCOUNTS.—Paragraph (2) of section 6693(a)
- 13 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by strik-
- 14 ing "and" at the end of subparagraph (E), by striking
- 15 the period at the end of subparagraph (F) and inserting
- 16 ", and", and by adding at the end the following new sub-
- 17 paragraph:
- 18 "(G) section 530A(g) (relating to Uni-
- 19 versal Savings Accounts).".
- 20 (f) Conforming Amendment.—The table of parts
- 21 for subchapter F of chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue
- 22 Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the fol-
- 23 lowing new item:

"PART IX. UNIVERSAL SAVINGS ACCOUNTS".

- 1 (g) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
- 2 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after

3 December 31, 2024.