

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

To accompany: A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a reduced tax on beer produced domestically by certain qualifying producers.

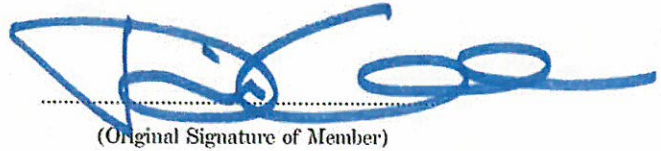
Pursuant to clause 7 of Rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statement is submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

The Congress enacts this bill pursuant to Clause 1 of Section 8 of Article I of the United States Constitution.

Member Signature: 

Member Name: Jim Gerlach

[112H1236]



(Original Signature of Member)

113TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a reduced rate of excise tax on beer produced domestically by certain qualifying producers.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. GERLACH (for himself and Mr. NEAL) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a reduced rate of excise tax on beer produced domestically by certain qualifying producers.

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 "Small Brewer Rein-
5 vestment and Expanding Workforce Act" or as the "Small
6 BREW Act".

1 **SEC. 2. REDUCED RATE OF EXCISE TAX ON BEER PRO-**
2 **DUCED DOMESTICALLY BY CERTAIN QUALI-**
3 **FYING PRODUCERS.**

4 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Paragraph (2) of section 5051(a)
5 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended—

6 (1) by redesignating subparagraphs (B) and
7 (C) as subparagraphs (C) and (D), respectively, and
8 (2) by striking subparagraph (A) and inserting
9 the following new subparagraphs:

10 “(A) **IN GENERAL.**—In the case of a brew-
11 er who produces not more than 6,000,000 bar-
12 rels of beer during the calendar year, the per
13 barrel rate of tax imposed by this section shall
14 be—

15 “(i) \$3.50 on the first 60,000 quali-
16 fied barrels of production, and

17 “(ii) \$16 on the first 1,940,000 quali-
18 fied barrels of production to which clause
19 (i) does not apply.

20 “(B) **QUALIFIED BARRELS OF PRODUC-**
21 **TION.**—For purposes of this paragraph, the
22 term ‘qualified barrels of production’ means,
23 with respect to any brewer for any calendar
24 year, the number of barrels of beer which are
25 removed in such year for consumption or sale
26 and which have been brewed or produced by

1 such brewer at qualified breweries in the United
2 States.”.

3 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

4 (1) Subparagraph (C) of section 5051(a)(2) of
5 such Code, as redesignated by this section, is
6 amended—

7 (A) by striking “2,000,000 barrel quan-
8 tity” and inserting “6,000,000 barrel quantity”,
9 and

10 (B) by striking “60,000 barrel quantity”
11 and inserting “60,000 and 1,940,000 barrel
12 quantities”.

13 (2) Subparagraph (D) of such section, as so re-
14 designated, is amended by striking “2,000,000 bar-
15 rels” and inserting “6,000,000 barrels”.

16 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
17 this section shall apply to beer removed during calendar
18 years beginning after the date of the enactment of this
19 Act.

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Congress: 113th

Session: 1st

Date: 2/5/2013

Pursuant to clause 7 of Rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following sponsors are hereby added to:

H.R. Small Brew Bill

H.Con. Res. _____

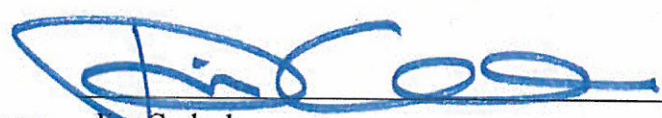
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- 1) Erik Paulsen ✓
- 2) Earl Blumenauer ✓
- 3) Peter DeFazio ✓
- 4) Patrick McHenry ✓
- 5) Richard Neal ✓
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Member Signature:



Please Print Member Name: Jim Gerlach