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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20503

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THE DIRECTOR

July 25, 2001

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Enrolled Bill S. 1190 - Coverdell Education Savings Accounts
Sponsors - Sen. Lott (R) Mississippi and Sen. Daschle (D) South Dakota

Last Day for Action

August 6, 2001 - Monday. (Note: Another bill to honor Senator Coverdell is pending your approval. That bill (S. 360) would name the Peace Corps Headquarters in honor of Sen. Coverdell and authorize a grant to the University of Georgia for a building in his name. The last day for action on S. 360 is Saturday, July 28th.)

Purpose

Amends the Internal Revenue Code to change the name of "education individual retirement accounts" to "Coverdell education savings accounts."

Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget

Approval

Department of the Treasury
Department of Education

Approval
Defers to Treasury (Informally)

Discussion

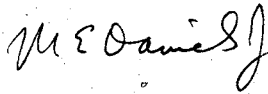
The enrolled bill would change the name of "education individual retirement accounts" in the Internal Revenue Code to "Coverdell education savings accounts." Paul D. Coverdell served as a United States Senator from the State of Georgia from 1993 until his death in July 2000.

Education individual retirement accounts (Ed IRAs) are accounts created to pay qualified elementary, secondary, and higher education expenses of a named beneficiary. Although contributions to Ed IRAs are not tax deductible, earnings on the accounts are not subject to tax when they are used by the beneficiary for qualified expenses. Individuals or corporations may contribute a total of up to \$2,000 annually per beneficiary until the beneficiary reaches age 18. Public law 107-16, the tax bill you approved last month, increased the maximum contribution per beneficiary from \$500 to \$2,000 and expanded eligible expenses to include elementary and secondary education expenses.

During Senate floor debate, Senator Lott noted that the late Senator Coverdell was "committed to allowing parents of children in elementary and secondary education to have some way to be able to help their children." Senator Daschle stated that it is "fitting that we are creating a living tribute to [Senator Coverdell] by seeing to it that the educational accounts for which he fought so hard will now bear his name."

Conclusion and Recommendations

The Department of the Treasury recommends approval of S. 1190. We join Treasury in recommending approval of S. 1190, which passed both the Senate and the House by unanimous consent.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "M E Daniels Jr", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr.
Director

Enclosures



DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
WASHINGTON

ASSISTANT SECRETARY

July 25, 2001

The Honorable Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr.
Director, Office of Management and Budget
Executive Office of the President
Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear Mr. Daniels:

This responds to your request for the views of this Department on enrolled bill S. 1190, "To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to rename the education individual retirement accounts as the Coverdell education savings accounts."

The enrolled bill makes no substantive amendments to the Internal Revenue Code; it merely strikes the term "an education individual retirement account" every time it appears in the Code and substitutes the term "a Coverdell education savings account."

In view of the foregoing, the Department of the Treasury strongly supports the enrolled bill, and therefore recommends that the President sign it into law.

Sincerely,

Mark A. Weinberger
Assistant Secretary (Tax Policy)

One Hundred Seventh Congress of the United States of America

AT THE FIRST SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Wednesday,
the third day of January, two thousand and one*

An Act

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to rename the education individual retirement accounts as the Coverdell education savings accounts.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of
the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

SECTION 1. RENAMING EDUCATION INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT ACCOUNTS AS COVERDELL EDUCATION SAVINGS ACCOUNTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—

(1) Section 530 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking “an education individual retirement account” each place it appears and inserting “a Coverdell education savings account”.

(2) Section 530(a) of such Code is amended—

(A) by striking “An education individual retirement account” and inserting “A Coverdell education savings account”, and

(B) by striking “the education individual retirement account” and inserting “the Coverdell education savings account”.

(3) Section 530(b)(1) of such Code is amended—

(A) by striking “education individual retirement account” in the text and inserting “Coverdell education savings account”, and

(B) by striking “EDUCATION INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT ACCOUNT” in the heading and inserting “COVERDELL EDUCATION SAVINGS ACCOUNT”.

(4) Sections 530(d)(5) and 530(e) of such Code are amended by striking “education individual retirement account” each place it appears and inserting “Coverdell education savings account”.

(5) The heading for section 530 of such Code is amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 530. COVERDELL EDUCATION SAVINGS ACCOUNTS.”.

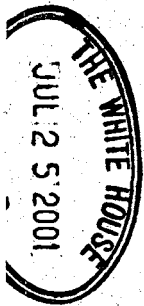
(6) The item in the table of contents for part VII of subchapter F of chapter 1 of such Code relating to section 530 is amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 530. Coverdell education savings accounts.”.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(1) The following provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 are amended by striking “an education individual retirement” each place it appears and inserting “a Coverdell education savings”:

(A) Section 72(e)(9).



(B) Section 135(c)(2)(C).

(C) Section 4973(a).

(D) Subsections (c) and (e) of section 4975.

(2) The following provisions of such Code are amended by striking "education individual retirement" each place it appears in the text and inserting "Coverdell education savings":

(A) Section 26(b)(2)(E).

(B) Section 4973(e).

(C) Section 6693(a)(2)(D).

(3) The headings for the following provisions of such Code are amended by striking "EDUCATION INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT" each place it appears and inserting "COVERDELL EDUCATION SAVINGS":

(A) Section 72(e)(9).

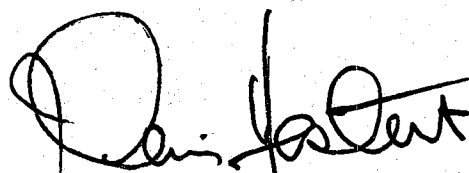
(B) Section 135(c)(2)(C).

(C) Section 529(c)(3)(B)(vi).

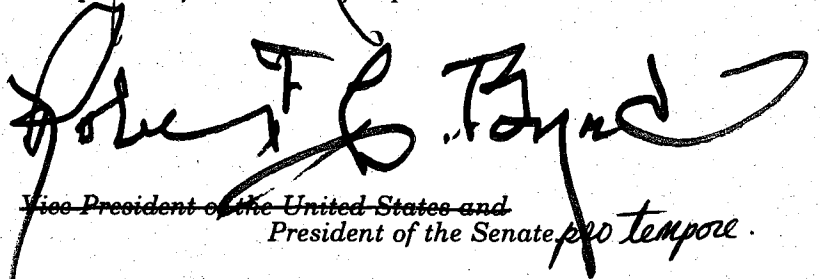
(D) Section 4975(c)(5).

(4) The heading for section 4973(e) of such Code is amended by striking "EDUCATION INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT" and inserting "COVERDELL EDUCATION SAVINGS".

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act.



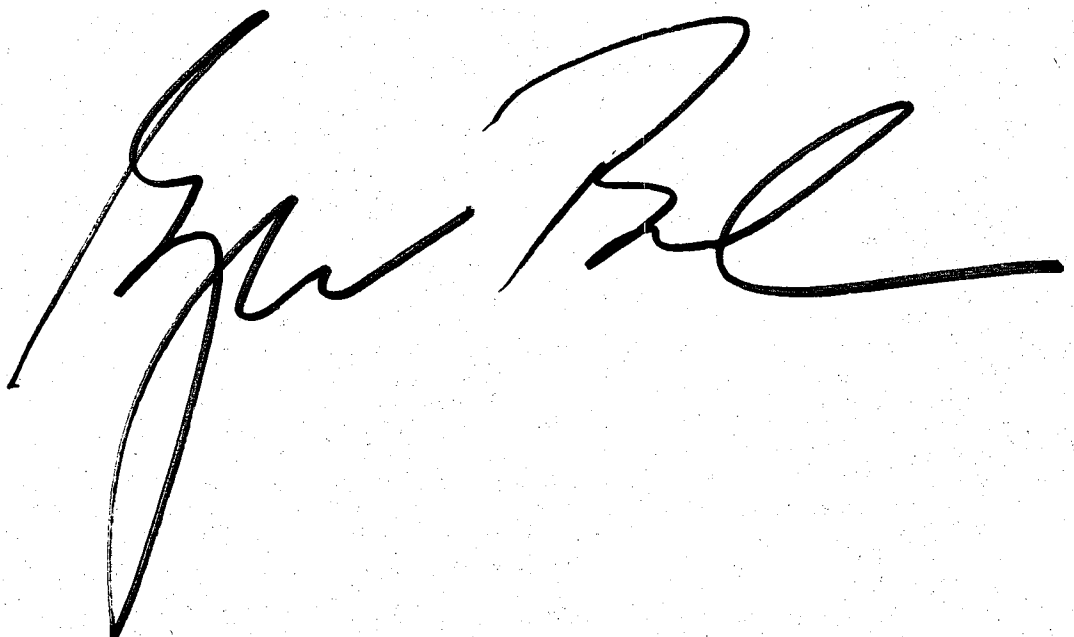
Speaker of the House of Representatives.



*Vice President of the United States and
President of the Senate pro tempore.*

APPROVED

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REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
IN BILL SIGNINGS
IN HONOR OF SENATOR PAUL COVERDELL

The Indian Treaty Room

9:14 A.M. EDT

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you. Ours is a city here full of memorials, full of symbols of America's gratitude for service. And today we come together to honor one such man, who dedicated his life to service. A life who left us far too soon.

Nancy, welcome. I want to thank you and your family members for being here. I want to thank Trent and members of the United States Senate. One reason he didn't ask you to speak he was afraid you were going to go on too long, Phil. (Laughter.) I appreciate Senator Miller. I thank the Georgia delegation for coming, members of the Congress. It's good to see the former Speaker; thank you for being here, as well.

I appreciate John Ashcroft, the Attorney General, for being here; and Elaine Chao, members of my Cabinet. I'm so honored that members -- former directors of the Peace Corps are here, including the current Acting Director, Chuck Baquet. Thank you for being here, as well.

I thank Michael Adams, the President of the University of Georgia, for being here. And I want to thank my Ambassador-designee to the Vatican, Jim Nicholson, for being here, as well.

Paul Coverdell was a man of unusual abilities and striking character. He spoke with candor when others might hide the unpleasant truth. He was wise and reasonable in a city that often lacks both virtues. He was a man of principle who understood our political system's essential need for compromise. He was respected by both allies and adversaries.

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energy and thought and effort and commitment. He understood every parent's hopes for a quality education. So he pressed for tax-free savings accounts for education expenses. Today, his idea is law. And today, we rename those accounts for him: The Coverdell Education Savings Accounts.

He had a great heart and compassion for others, and that could be seen in his imaginative and strong leadership of the Peace Corps. As the Corps' first post-Cold War director, he had a vision for a new era, and the leadership to bring those dreams into being.

So, today, in his honor, we rename the Peace Corps headquarters in Washington, D.C., the Paul D. Coverdell Peace Corps Headquarters. And we also renamed the Peace Corps World Wise School Program, the Paul D. Coverdell World Wise Schools Programs.

Paul was a champion of science and medical research. Wherever Americans push the frontiers of knowledge, they're advancing in the spirit of Paul Coverdell. And so, I applaud Senator Miller for his leadership in the decision to name the University of Georgia's new health science building for Paul.

You know, Paul and Nancy were frequent visitors to my folks' house in Maine. They were such good friends that Mother got them to plant roses. She's a pretty tough taskmaster. (Laughter.) You can imagine old Paul out there digging away, Mother yelling, "More dirt." (Laughter.) The hole would be dug and Mother saying, "You put the rose bush in there." At any rate, we get to now see the roses, and we think of Paul. The flowers bloom only a short time, but like the roots of those bushes, his memory lasts a long time. And the fruits of his labors we will see for a long time coming.

I've spoken today of honoring Paul. The truth is, he honored us by his selfless service. We're lucky to have known him.

It is now my honor to sign the bills honoring a great man.

(The bills are signed.) (Applause.)

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EVENT BACKGROUNDER
Coverdell Bill Signing
Indian Treaty Room, EEOB
POOL COVERAGE
9:00 am

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Preset for the pool will be at 8:00 am
The President will enter the room accompanied by Senator Trent Lott and Senator Zell Miller
Senator Miller will make brief remarks
Senator Lott will make brief remarks
The President will make brief remarks (5-10 min)
The President will sign two bills and present a pen to Mrs. Nancy Coverdell before departing

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

S. 1190 changes the name of Education Individual Retirement Accounts to the "Coverdell Education Savings Accounts." The legislation allows parents to invest \$2,000 tax free for their children's education. The bill passed as part of the President's tax package.

S. 360 renames the Peace Corps Headquarters building in Washington, D.C., and the Peace Corps World Wise Schools program after the late Senator Coverdell. The bill also appropriates \$10 million for the construction of the Paul D. Coverdell Building at the University of Georgia in Athens.

Paul Coverdell was a U.S. Senator from Georgia between January 1993 and July 2000. Prior to Senate service he served as the Director of the Peace Corps. He began his career in politics in the Georgia State Senate where he served as the Minority Leader for 15 years.

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Pool report #1
Thursday July 26, 2001

The Coverdell signing event drew a standing room only crowd in the Indian Treaty Room, including a sizeable turnout of the congressional Georgia delegation. Among them was Newt Gingrich, who sat in the four row from the front (out of 6 rows total).

A more complete listing of attendants upon request.

Speakers: Zell Miller (who succeeded Coverdell and uses Coverdell's desk in his office), Trent Lott and POTUS. The room also is where Coverdell had been sworn in as Peace Corps director.

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As VIPs mingled in the corridor, Josh Bolten and Rep. Charlie Norwood quietly slipped away.

Ed Chen
LATimes

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