For the first time in nearly 70 years, American businesses of all sizes are now prohibited from expensing research and development (R&D) investments in the same year they occurred. This policy change will stifle our global competitiveness, jobs and innovation.

Business Roundtable calls on Congress to restore full and immediate expensing of American R&D investments before the end of the year.

Facts on Immediate R&D Expensing:

- A long history of bipartisan support for the policy.
- Generates hundreds of billions of dollars in R&D investments each year.
- Every $1 billion in R&D spending supports 17,000 American jobs.

America is at a Global Competitive Disadvantage without Immediate R&D Expensing:

- The U.S. is now one of only two developed countries without immediate expensing for R&D.
- China is doubling down on incentives to bolster R&D, while the U.S. is making it more expensive.
- The U.S. share of global R&D investments was on the decline before this policy change.

Consequences of Failing to Restore Immediate R&D Expensing:

- More than 10,000 American jobs would be lost each year over the next decade.
- A cost of 29.1 billion to American businesses in the first nine months of 2022.
- Reduce American companies’ ability to develop new, cutting-edge products.

U.S. Share of Global R&D Investment on the Decline

R&D Incentives: China vs. U.S.

(364x288)\[\text{Amount expensed per $100 of annual R&D investments}\]