

A Look at LIHTC and NMTC

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Trump's Tax Plan

10-Year Cost Static Scoring

Tax Rates/Brackets

Capital Gains, Dividends, Interest Income

Cost of \$6.0 trillion + \$1 trillion in interest

Three individual tax brackets: 12, 25, 33%

Repeal ACA investment surtax, tax carried interest as ordinary income



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Trump's Tax Plan cont.

Individual Exemptions, Deductions, & Credits

Consolidate/increase standard deduction, cap individual deductions at \$100k for individuals, \$200k for couples, create childcare tax credit, increase EITC

Business Taxes

Reduce corporate rate to 15 percent by eliminating most business tax deductions and credits, most pass-through entities taxed at 15 percent

Offsets

Elimination of business tax credits (LIHTC,NMTC HTC, Bonds)

1% per year reduction in discretionary spending

Higher economic growth





House Blueprint for Tax Reform

- Similar to Trump in Overall Direction
- Proposes Border Adjustment Tax (BAT)
- "The Current Code Delivers Special Interest Subsidies and Crony Capitalism"
 - On tax expenditures, the House Blueprint said that the current policy directs resources to politically favored interests, hindering both economic growth and job creation, at the expense of the tax payers
 - Annual Cost: \$1.4 trillion.



Where Do We Stand?

PATH Act:

- Authorized NMTC for 2015 to 2019
- \$3.5 billion in annual credit authority
- Awards for 2015-16 made in November
- \$10.5 billion in remaining allocation





New Markets Tax Credit Extension Act of 2017, H.R. 1098/S.384

- Permanent Authorization
- About \$5 billion in annual credit authority adjusted for inflation
- Exception from AMT for NMTC investors





House Sponsors (H.R. 1098)

Leads: Pat Tiberi (R- OH),

Richard Neal (D-MA),

Tom Reed (R-NY)

Cosponsors:

Rep. Bilirakis, Gus M. [R-FL-12]

Rep. Buchanan, Vern [R-FL-16]

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Rep. Doyle, Michael F. [D-PA-14]



Senate Sponsors (S. 384)

Leads: Roy Blunt (R- MO),

Ben Cardin (D-MD)

Cosponsors:

Sen. Cochran, Thad [R-MS] Sen. Wicker, Roger [R-MS] Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY] Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]

Senate Targets:

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Heller (R-NV)

Scott (R-SC)

Capito (R-WV)

Collins (R-ME)

Murkowski (R-AK)



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Affordable Housing Credit Improvement Act of 2017 S. 548



Senator Cantwell D-Washington



Finance Committee Chairman Hatch R- Utah

- Introduced March 7
- Strong Bipartisan Support: 6 Republicans and 9 Democrats
- Strong Support on the Finance Committee:
 Nearly ¼ of the Finance Committee
 including both the Chairman (lead sponsor)
 and Ranking Member





Affordable Housing Credit Improvement Act of 2017 H.R. 1661



Representative Tiberi *R-Ohio*



W&M Ranking Member Neal D-Massachusetts

- Introduced March 21
- Strong bipartisan support: 15
 Republicans and 11 Democrats
- Strong support on Ways and Means: Nearly 50 percent of the Committee, including the Ranking Member (lead sponsor)





Affordable Housing Credit Improvement Act of 2017 S. 548/H.R.1661



Over 20 Programmatic Modifications that would:

- Expand Housing Credit authority by 50 percent (Senate bill only)
- Strengthen the 4 Percent Credit/Tax-Exempt Bond program.
- Improve ability to preserve affordable housing with the Housing Credit.
- Facilitate development for hard-to-reach populations and in challenging markets.
- Provide new flexibility and streamline program requirements.





Advocating for S.548/H.R.1661



Make "the Ask":

- Urge members to cosponsor Housing Credit legislation.
- Urge them to tell Committee leaders to include the provisions in the bill in tax legislation.
- Low-hanging fruit: Make sure to thank those Senators who cosponsored the Cantwell-Hatch bill in the last Congress and urge their support again.
- ➤ Other potential supporters: members who sponsored S.1193 and H.R. 1142
- Target members on the tax-writing committees (Finance and Ways and Means), but seek support from <u>all</u> members.





Advocating for the Housing Credit and Bonds

- Stress the importance of the Credit and Bonds to their state/district:
 - Growing affordable housing need
 - Production, preservation, and homeownership accomplishments
 - Local economic benefits: job creation and state & local revenues
- Remind them that but for the Housing Credit and Bonds there would be virtually no affordable housing development.
- Stress program attributes:
 - Public-private partnerships
 - State-administered for limited federal bureaucracy
 - An important contributor to our economic well-being
 - A critical part of our nation's infrastructure
 - A record of exceptional performance
 - Meeting a need the private sector could not otherwise address
 - Alleviates poverty by promoting financial stability and economic mobility health outcomes, school performance, discretionary income, better access to transportation and employment





Tell Congress to:

- Preserve the Credit and maintain the tax-exemption on private activity Housing Bonds in tax reform.
- Ensure that changes to the tax code do not result in reduced production potential for the Credit and Bonds.
- Expand and strengthen the Housing Credit by increasing program authority by at least 50 percent and providing new flexibility to states to maximize Housing Credit resources.
- Strengthen the Housing Bond program.
- Urge House members to join the Municipal Finance Caucus.









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