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**Amendment to the Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute to H.R. 5377
Offered by Rep. Smith of Nebraska**

This amendment would make permanent the higher standard deduction made under the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act.

AMENDMENT**OFFERED BY Mr. Smith**

At the end, add the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . INCREASE IN STANDARD DEDUCTION MADE PER-**
2 **MANENT.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 63(c)(2) is amended—

4 (1) by striking “\$4,400” in subparagraph (B)
5 and inserting “\$18,000”, and

6 (2) by striking “\$3,000” in subparagraph (C)
7 and inserting “\$12,000”.

8 (b) INFLATION ADJUSTMENT.—Section 63(c)(4) is
9 amended to read as follows:

10 “(4) ADJUSTMENTS FOR INFLATION.—

11 “(A) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a tax-
12 able year beginning after 2018, each dollar
13 amount in paragraph (2)(B), (2)(C), or (5) or
14 subsection (f) shall be increased by an amount
15 equal to—

16 “(i) such dollar amount, multiplied by

17 “(ii) the cost-of-living adjustment de-
18 termined under section 1(f)(3) for the cal-
19 endar year in which the taxable year be-

1 gins, determined by substituting for ‘2016’
2 in subparagraph (A)(ii) thereof—

3 “(I) in the case of the dollar
4 amounts contained in paragraph
5 (2)(B) or (2)(C), ‘2017’,

6 “(II) in the case of the dollar
7 amounts contained in paragraph
8 (5)(A) or subsection (f), ‘1987’, and

9 “(III) in the case of the dollar
10 amount contained in paragraph
11 (5)(B), ‘1997’.

12 “(B) ROUNDING.—If any increase under
13 subparagraph (A) is not a multiple of \$50, such
14 increase shall be rounded to the next lowest
15 multiple of \$50.”.

16 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

17 (1) Section 1(f)(7)(A) is amended by striking
18 “section 63(c)(4),”.

19 (2) Section 1(f)(7)(B) is amended by striking
20 “sections 63(c)(4) and” and inserting “section”.

21 (3) Section 63(c) is amended by striking para-
22 graph (7).

1 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
2 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
3 December 31, 2018.



