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S. 164

To repeal the imposition of withholding on certain payments made to vendors by government entities.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 25 (legislative day, JANUARY 5), 2011

Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts (for himself and Ms. SNOWE) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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A BILL

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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 "Withholding Tax Relief

5 Act of 2011".

6 **SEC. 2. REPEAL OF IMPOSITION OF WITHHOLDING ON CER-**

7 **TAIN PAYMENTS MADE TO VENDORS BY GOV-**

8 **ERNMENT ENTITIES.**

9 The amendment made by section 511 of the Tax In-

10 crease Prevention and Reconciliation Act of 2005 is re-

1 pealed and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 shall be
2 applied as if such amendment had never been enacted.

SEC. 3. RESCISSION OF UNSPENT FEDERAL FUNDS TO OFF-
SET LOSS IN REVENUES.

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provi-
6 sion of law, of all available unobligated funds,
7 $39,000,000,000 in appropriated discretionary funds are
8 hereby permanently rescinded.

9 (b) IMPLEMENTATION.—The Director of the Office of
10 Management and Budget shall determine and identify
11 from which appropriation accounts the rescission under
12 subsection (a) shall apply and the amount of such rescis-
13 sion that shall apply to each such account. Not later than
14 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the
15 Director of the Office of Management and Budget shall
16 submit a report to the Secretary of the Treasury and Con-
17 gress of the accounts and amounts determined and identi-
18 fied for rescission under the preceding sentence.

19 (c) EXCEPTION.—This section shall not apply to the
20 unobligated funds of the Department of Defense or the
21 Department of Veterans Affairs.

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