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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. Velázquez introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on ____________________________

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 “Expand Education De-
5 duction for Teachers Act.”
SEC. 2. EDUCATOR EXPENSE DEDUCTION INCREASED, INCLUDES EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATORS.

(a) In General.—Section 62 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)(2)(D)—

(A) by striking the heading and inserting “CERTAIN EXPENSES OF EARLY CHILDHOOD,
ELEMENTARY, AND SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS.”, and

(B) by striking “not in excess of $250” and inserting “not in excess of $2,000”,

(2) in subsection (d)(1)(A)—

(A) by striking “kindergarten through grade 12 teacher” and inserting, “early childhood educator, kindergarten through grade 12 teacher”, and

(B) by striking “in a school” and inserting “in a school or early childhood education program”, and

(3) by adding at the end of subsection (d)(1) the following new subparagraph:

“(C) EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION PROGRAM.—For purposes of this paragraph, the term ‘early childhood education program’ has the meaning given such term in section 103(8) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1003(8)).”.
(b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by this section shall apply to expenses incurred in taxable years beginning after December 31, 2022.