

Support the Main Street Tax Certainty Act

Currently, many owners of sole proprietorships, partnerships, trusts and S corporations may deduct up to 20% of their qualified business income. This deduction—referred to as the Section 199A deduction or the QBI deduction was passed as part of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017, and it is set to expire at the end of 2025. The Main Street Tax Certainty Act is simple—it makes permanent this vital tax provision and continues parity in the tax code for corporations and pass-through businesses.

During the 2017 tax reform debate, pass-through business owners were successful in securing tax relief comparable to the reduction in the corporate rate. This deduction allows pass-through business owners to deduct up to 20% of their QBI in determining their personal tax liability. This reduces effective tax rates for passthrough business profits by up to 20%.

Section 199A is an essential part of the tax code. Without it, individually- and family-owned Main Street businesses would pay significantly higher taxes, putting them at a competitive disadvantage and accelerating the economic consolidation taking place in our economy. Main Street businesses are the backbone of the economy and those organized as pass-throughs employ the most private-sector workers and compose 95% of all businesses.

To ensure this focus on job creation and investment, Section 199A limits the deduction for larger passthrough businesses to those that have significant employment and investment levels. If a large pass-through business doesn't create jobs and invest in its community, it doesn't get the deduction. Section 199A's laser focus on real businesses with real employees helped motivate the introduction of bipartisan legislation, the Main Street Tax Certainty Act, to make the deduction permanent.

> "Certainty in the tax code, particularly the Section 199A QBI deduction, plays a vital role in my ability to invest back into my employees, business and community. That investment manifests itself in a variety of ways, including higher wages for my employees, expanded employee benefits, new business equipment and work vehicles, as well as the ability to donate labor and materials to many great organizations such as the Ronald McDonald House and Habitat for Humanity. I urge Congress to support the long-term viability of small businesses and their communities by making Section 199A of the tax code permanent."

> > – Scott Shufflebarger, Hertless Brothers Roofing Inc. Richmond, Va.

Request: Support the bipartisan Main Street Tax Certainty Act.