Summary of Chairman’s Amendment to the Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute
H.R. 1, Tax Cuts and Jobs Act

Section 1005- Conforming amendments

Section 1004, 1005 - Earned income tax credit program integrity
The amendment includes new rules with respect to the earned income tax credit that (1) require claims for the credit to properly reflect any net earnings from self-employment, (2) require employers to provide additional information on payroll tax returns, and (3) provide the IRS with additional authority regarding substantiation of earned income amounts.

Section 1404 - Exclusion for dependent care assistance programs
The amendment continues through December 31, 2022, the exclusion from income for up to $5,000 of employer-provided dependent-care assistance, which helps pay for work-related expenses of caring for a child under the age of 13 or spouses or other dependents who are physically or mentally unable to care for themselves.

Section 3311 - Self-created musical works
The amendment preserves the treatment of self-created musical compositions and copyrights in musical works as capital assets.

Section 3314 - Partnership interest held in connection with the performance of services
The amendment imposes a three-year holding period requirement for qualification as long-term capital gain with respect to certain partnership interests received in connection with the performance of services.

Section 3804 - Stock options
The amendment provides that certain employees who receive stock options or restricted stock units as compensation for the performance of services and later exercises such options or units may elect to defer recognition of income for up to 5 years, if the corporation’s stock is not publicly traded.

Section 4004, 4301, 4303 - International base-erosion rules
The amendment modifies the bill’s international base erosion rules in several respects. First, the provision taxing affiliated payments is revised to provide for a foreign tax credit, to exempt foreign affiliates’ routine returns, to exclude acquisitions of property priced on a public exchange, to compute a foreign affiliate’s profits based on foreign profit margins instead of global profit margins, and to coordinate with existing withholding tax rules. Second, the amendment modifies the provision taxing foreign high returns to clarify the scope of existing exceptions for certain local active financing and extraction activities. The amendment also clarifies the computation of the deemed repatriation tax on grossed-up foreign taxes deemed paid.
Section 5103 - Excise tax based on investment income of private colleges and universities
The amendment provides that the 1.4% excise tax on the net investment income of certain educational institutions applies only if the fair market value of the institution’s assets (other than those assets used directly in carrying out its exempt purpose) is at least $250,000 per student.