

113TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2582

To end the application of sequestration to the United States Patent and
Trademark Office, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 28, 2013

Mr. HONDA (for himself, Ms. LOFGREN, and Ms. ESHOO) introduced the
following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Budget

A BILL

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Patent and Trademark Office, and for other purposes.

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 “Patents and Trade-
5 marks Encourage New Technology Jobs Act” or the
6 “PATENT Jobs Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. TERMINATION OF SEQUESTRATION IN FISCAL YEAR**
2 **2013 FOR THE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OF-**
3 **FICE.**

4 Notwithstanding the Presidential order issued on
5 March 1, 2013, under section 251A of the Balanced Budg-
6 et and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C.
7 901a), on and after the date of the enactment of this Act,
8 the budgetary resources sequestered under such order with
9 respect to the United States Patent and Trademark Office
10 shall be available for obligation for the same purpose and
11 in the same manner as if such order had not been issued.

12 **SEC. 3. EXEMPTION FROM SEQUESTRATION IN FISCAL**
13 **YEARS 2014 THROUGH 2021.**

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 255(g)(1)(A) of the Bal-
15 anced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act is
16 amended by adding at the end the following:

17 “The United States Patent and Trademark Of-
18 fice (13–1006–0–1–376).”.

19 (b) APPLICATION.—The amendment made by sub-
20 section (a) shall apply to any sequestration order issued
21 by the President under section 254 of such Act.

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