AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PERSONAL INCOME TAX DEDUCTION FOR STUDENT LOAN INTEREST.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

That title 12 of the general statutes be amended to establish a personal income tax deduction for student loan interest, provided (1) the taxpayer’s filing status is any filing status except married filing separately, (2) no other person is claiming an exemption for the taxpayer on such other person's return, (3) the taxpayer is legally obligated to pay interest on a qualified student loan, (4) the taxpayer paid interest on a qualified student loan, and (5) the maximum amount of the deduction shall be equal to the amount of interest paid on a qualified student loan, but (A) shall not exceed two thousand five hundred dollars for each taxpayer, and (B) shall be prorated or eliminated if the taxpayer's modified adjusted gross income is an amount that would cause the same deduction to be prorated or eliminated under federal law.

Statement of Purpose:
To establish a personal income tax deduction for student loan interest.