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# Table T17-0200 Guaranteed Retirement Account with \$207 Credit (Present-Value Approach) Baseline: Current Law Distribution of Federal Tax Change by Expanded Cash Income Percentile, 2018 Summary Table

| Expanded Cash Income      |                  | Tax Units with Tax | ax Increase or Cut 4 |                     | Percent Change      | Share of Total | Average     | Average Federal Tax Rate <sup>6</sup> |           |
|---------------------------|------------------|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------|-------------|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| Percentile <sup>2,3</sup> | With Ta          | ax Cut             | With Tax II          | ncrease             | in After-Tax        | Federal Tax    | Federal Tax | Change (9/                            | Under the |
| Percentile                | Pct of Tax Units | Avg Tax Cut        | Pct of Tax Units     | Avg Tax<br>Increase | Income <sup>5</sup> | Change         | Change (\$) | Change (% Points)                     | Proposal  |
| Lowest Quintile           | 55.7             | -170               | 1.4                  | 270                 | 0.6                 | 369.6          | -90         | -0.6                                  | 3.5       |
| <b>Second Quintile</b>    | 59.5             | -270               | 8.9                  | 310                 | 0.4                 | 444.5          | -140        | -0.4                                  | 8.3       |
| Middle Quintile           | 53.7             | -380               | 20.5                 | 470                 | 0.2                 | 315.7          | -110        | -0.2                                  | 13.7      |
| <b>Fourth Quintile</b>    | 50.1             | -510               | 29.9                 | 810                 | 0.0                 | 39.6           | -20         | 0.0                                   | 17.3      |
| Top Quintile              | 40.1             | -860               | 47.9                 | 1,810               | -0.2                | -1,077.4       | 520         | 0.2                                   | 25.6      |
| All                       | 53.0             | -360               | 17.8                 | 1,040               | 0.0                 | 100.0          | -10         | 0.0                                   | 19.8      |
| Addendum                  |                  |                    |                      |                     |                     |                |             |                                       |           |
| 80-90                     | 43.7             | -700               | 42.9                 | 1,210               | -0.2                | -224.9         | 210         | 0.1                                   | 20.3      |
| 90-95                     | 36.1             | -880               | 53.1                 | 1,800               | -0.3                | -324.6         | 630         | 0.2                                   | 22.2      |
| 95-99                     | 35.9             | -1,200             | 53.8                 | 2,660               | -0.3                | -395.9         | 1,000       | 0.2                                   | 25.5      |
| Top 1 Percent             | 38.3             | -1,440             | 51.1                 | 3,740               | -0.1                | -132.0         | 1,360       | 0.1                                   | 32.6      |
| Top 0.1 Percent           | 48.6             | -1,450             | 39.5                 | 3,550               | 0.0                 | -6.8           | 690         | 0.0                                   | 33.4      |

Source: Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center Microsimulation Model (version 0217-1).

Number of AMT Taxpayers (millions). Baseline: 5.2

Proposal: 5.4

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- (4) Includes tax units with a change in federal tax burden of \$10 or more in absolute value.
- (5) After-tax income is expanded cash income less: individual income tax net of refundable credits; corporate income tax; payroll taxes (Social Security and Medicare); estate tax; and excise taxes.
- (6) Average federal tax (includes individual and corporate income tax, payroll taxes for Social Security and Medicare, the estate tax, and excise taxes) as a percentage of average expanded cash income.

<sup>\*</sup> Non-zero value rounded to zero; \*\* Insufficient data

### **Table T17-0200**

### **Guaranteed Retirement Account with \$207 Credit (Present-Value Approach)**

### **Baseline: Current Law**

### Distribution of Federal Tax Change by Expanded Cash Income Percentile, 2018 <sup>1</sup> Detail Table

| expanded Cash Income      | Percent of T | ax Units 4           | Percent Change                      | Share of Total       | Average Feder | al Tax Change | Share of Fed         | leral Taxes           | Average Fede         | eral Tax Rate 6       |
|---------------------------|--------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Percentile <sup>2,3</sup> | With Tax Cut | With Tax<br>Increase | in After-Tax<br>Income <sup>5</sup> | Federal Tax - Change | Dollars       | Percent       | Change (%<br>Points) | Under the<br>Proposal | Change (%<br>Points) | Under the<br>Proposal |
| Lowest Quintile           | 55.7         | 1.4                  | 0.6                                 | 369.6                | -90           | -14.9         | -0.1                 | 0.8                   | -0.6                 | 3.5                   |
| Second Quintile           | 59.5         | 8.9                  | 0.4                                 | 444.5                | -140          | -4.3          | -0.2                 | 3.7                   | -0.4                 | 8.3                   |
| Middle Quintile           | 53.7         | 20.5                 | 0.2                                 | 315.7                | -110          | -1.2          | -0.1                 | 9.8                   | -0.2                 | 13.7                  |
| Fourth Quintile           | 50.1         | 29.9                 | 0.0                                 | 39.6                 | -20           | -0.1          | 0.0                  | 18.1                  | 0.0                  | 17.3                  |
| <b>Top Quintile</b>       | 40.1         | 47.9                 | -0.2                                | -1,077.4             | 520           | 0.6           | 0.4                  | 67.6                  | 0.2                  | 25.6                  |
| All                       | 53.0         | 17.8                 | 0.0                                 | 100.0                | -10           | 0.0           | 0.0                  | 100.0                 | 0.0                  | 19.8                  |
| ddendum                   |              |                      |                                     |                      |               |               |                      |                       |                      |                       |
| 80-90                     | 43.7         | 42.9                 | -0.2                                | -224.9               | 210           | 0.6           | 0.1                  | 14.4                  | 0.1                  | 20.3                  |
| 90-95                     | 36.1         | 53.1                 | -0.3                                | -324.6               | 630           | 1.1           | 0.1                  | 10.8                  | 0.2                  | 22.2                  |
| 95-99                     | 35.9         | 53.8                 | -0.3                                | -395.9               | 1,000         | 0.9           | 0.2                  | 16.3                  | 0.2                  | 25.5                  |
| Top 1 Percent             | 38.3         | 51.1                 | -0.1                                | -132.0               | 1,360         | 0.2           | 0.1                  | 26.1                  | 0.1                  | 32.6                  |
| Top 0.1 Percent           | 48.6         | 39.5                 | 0.0                                 | -6.8                 | 690           | 0.0           | 0.0                  | 12.8                  | 0.0                  | 33.4                  |

# Baseline Distribution of Income and Federal Taxes by Expanded Cash Income Percentile, 2018 <sup>1</sup>

| Expanded Cash Income      | Tax U                 | nits                | Pre-Tax In        | come                | Federal Ta        | ax Burden        | After-Tax In      | ncome <sup>5</sup>  | Average                          |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|
| Percentile <sup>2,3</sup> | Number<br>(thousands) | Percent of<br>Total | Average (dollars) | Percent of<br>Total | Average (dollars) | Percent of Total | Average (dollars) | Percent of<br>Total | Federal Tax<br>Rate <sup>6</sup> |
| Lowest Quintile           | 48,780                | 27.7                | 14,600            | 4.4                 | 600               | 0.9              | 14,000            | 5.3                 | 4.1                              |
| Second Quintile           | 38,760                | 22.0                | 36,370            | 8.7                 | 3,150             | 3.8              | 33,220            | 9.9                 | 8.7                              |
| Middle Quintile           | 34,290                | 19.5                | 66,960            | 14.2                | 9,260             | 9.9              | 57,710            | 15.2                | 13.8                             |
| Fourth Quintile           | 28,870                | 16.4                | 115,950           | 20.7                | 20,100            | 18.1             | 95,850            | 21.3                | 17.3                             |
| Top Quintile              | 24,300                | 13.8                | 347,920           | 52.2                | 88,650            | 67.1             | 259,280           | 48.5                | 25.5                             |
| All                       | 176,100               | 100.0               | 91,930            | 100.0               | 18,220            | 100.0            | 73,710            | 100.0               | 19.8                             |
| Addendum                  |                       |                     |                   |                     |                   |                  |                   |                     |                                  |
| 80-90                     | 12,490                | 7.1                 | 182,130           | 14.1                | 36,700            | 14.3             | 145,430           | 14.0                | 20.2                             |
| 90-95                     | 6,020                 | 3.4                 | 259,830           | 9.7                 | 57,050            | 10.7             | 202,790           | 9.4                 | 22.0                             |
| 95-99                     | 4,650                 | 2.6                 | 440,180           | 12.7                | 111,070           | 16.1             | 329,110           | 11.8                | 25.2                             |
| Top 1 Percent             | 1,140                 | 0.7                 | 2,250,600         | 15.9                | 732,340           | 26.1             | 1,518,250         | 13.4                | 32.5                             |
| Top 0.1 Percent           | 120                   | 0.1                 | 10,609,590        | 7.6                 | 3,542,520         | 12.8             | 7,067,070         | 6.3                 | 33.4                             |

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### Table T17-0200

### Guaranteed Retirement Account with \$207 Credit (Present-Value Approach)

### **Baseline: Current Law**

# Distribution of Federal Tax Change by Expanded Cash Income Percentile Adjusted for Family Size, 2018 <sup>1</sup> Detail Table

| Expanded Cash Income      | Percent of T | ax Units 4           | Percent Change                      |                        | Average Feder | al Tax Change | Share of Feder    | ral Taxes             | Average Fede         | eral Tax Rate <sup>6</sup> |
|---------------------------|--------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Percentile <sup>2,3</sup> | With Tax Cut | With Tax<br>Increase | in After-Tax<br>Income <sup>5</sup> | Federal Tax - Change - | Dollars       | Percent       | Change (% Points) | Under the<br>Proposal | Change (%<br>Points) | Under the<br>Proposal      |
| Lowest Quintile           | 63.9         | 0.4                  | 0.8                                 | 347.2                  | -100          | -91.5         | -0.1              | 0.0                   | -0.8                 | 0.1                        |
| <b>Second Quintile</b>    | 55.7         | 6.4                  | 0.4                                 | 412.3                  | -130          | -5.7          | -0.2              | 2.5                   | -0.4                 | 6.8                        |
| Middle Quintile           | 54.8         | 16.9                 | 0.3                                 | 387.2                  | -130          | -1.8          | -0.1              | 7.9                   | -0.2                 | 12.4                       |
| <b>Fourth Quintile</b>    | 48.5         | 28.2                 | 0.1                                 | 135.4                  | -50           | -0.3          | 0.0               | 17.1                  | -0.1                 | 16.7                       |
| <b>Top Quintile</b>       | 39.1         | 44.2                 | -0.2                                | -1,190.1               | 450           | 0.6           | 0.5               | 72.3                  | 0.2                  | 25.3                       |
| All                       | 53.0         | 17.8                 | 0.0                                 | 100.0                  | -10           | 0.0           | 0.0               | 100.0                 | 0.0                  | 19.8                       |
| Addendum                  |              |                      |                                     |                        |               |               |                   |                       |                      |                            |
| 80-90                     | 41.6         | 40.5                 | -0.2                                | -284.1                 | 210           | 0.7           | 0.1               | 15.5                  | 0.1                  | 20.1                       |
| 90-95                     | 37.2         | 46.2                 | -0.3                                | -313.5                 | 470           | 1.0           | 0.1               | 12.0                  | 0.2                  | 22.2                       |
| 95-99                     | 35.1         | 50.5                 | -0.3                                | -450.2                 | 880           | 1.0           | 0.2               | 17.6                  | 0.2                  | 25.0                       |
| Top 1 Percent             | 38.1         | 47.8                 | -0.1                                | -142.3                 | 1,210         | 0.2           | 0.1               | 27.2                  | 0.1                  | 32.3                       |
| Top 0.1 Percent           | 48.3         | 36.5                 | 0.0                                 | -6.9                   | 590           | 0.0           | 0.0               | 13.4                  | 0.0                  | 33.4                       |

# Baseline Distribution of Income and Federal Taxes by Expanded Cash Income Percentile Adjusted for Family Size, 2018 <sup>1</sup>

| Expanded Cash Income      | Tax U                 | Inits               | Pre-Tax In        | come                | Federal Ta        | ax Burden        | After-Tax In      | come <sup>5</sup>   | Average                          |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|
| Percentile <sup>2,3</sup> | Number<br>(thousands) | Percent of<br>Total | Average (dollars) | Percent of<br>Total | Average (dollars) | Percent of Total | Average (dollars) | Percent of<br>Total | Federal Tax<br>Rate <sup>6</sup> |
| Lowest Quintile           | 39,180                | 22.3                | 13,630            | 3.3                 | 110               | 0.1              | 13,520            | 4.1                 | 0.8                              |
| Second Quintile           | 37,020                | 21.0                | 32,000            | 7.3                 | 2,310             | 2.7              | 29,690            | 8.5                 | 7.2                              |
| Middle Quintile           | 35,060                | 19.9                | 58,430            | 12.7                | 7,360             | 8.0              | 51,070            | 13.8                | 12.6                             |
| Fourth Quintile           | 32,600                | 18.5                | 100,930           | 20.3                | 16,900            | 17.2             | 84,030            | 21.1                | 16.7                             |
| Top Quintile              | 31,130                | 17.7                | 294,310           | 56.6                | 74,020            | 71.8             | 220,290           | 52.8                | 25.2                             |
| All                       | 176,100               | 100.0               | 91,930            | 100.0               | 18,220            | 100.0            | 73,710            | 100.0               | 19.8                             |
| Addendum                  |                       |                     |                   |                     |                   |                  |                   |                     |                                  |
| 80-90                     | 15,920                | 9.0                 | 155,450           | 15.3                | 31,010            | 15.4             | 124,450           | 15.3                | 20.0                             |
| 90-95                     | 7,840                 | 4.5                 | 221,670           | 10.7                | 48,770            | 11.9             | 172,900           | 10.4                | 22.0                             |
| 95-99                     | 5,990                 | 3.4                 | 376,890           | 13.9                | 93,400            | 17.4             | 283,500           | 13.1                | 24.8                             |
| Top 1 Percent             | 1,390                 | 0.8                 | 1,940,660         | 16.6                | 626,270           | 27.1             | 1,314,380         | 14.1                | 32.3                             |
| Top 0.1 Percent           | 140                   | 0.1                 | 9,276,300         | 7.9                 | 3,100,270         | 13.4             | 6,176,030         | 6.6                 | 33.4                             |

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### Table T17-0200

### **Guaranteed Retirement Account with \$207 Credit (Present-Value Approach)**

### **Baseline: Current Law**

# Distribution of Federal Tax Change by Expanded Cash Income Percentile Adjusted for Family Size, 2018 <sup>1</sup> Detail Table - Single Tax Units

| Expanded Cash Income      | Percent of T | ax Units 4           | Percent Change<br>in After-Tax<br>Income <sup>5</sup> | Share of Total       | Average Feder | al Tax Change | Share of Fed         | leral Taxes           | Average Fede         | eral Tax Rate <sup>6</sup> |
|---------------------------|--------------|----------------------|---|----------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Percentile <sup>2,3</sup> | With Tax Cut | With Tax<br>Increase |   | Federal Tax - Change | Dollars       | Percent       | Change (%<br>Points) | Under the<br>Proposal | Change (%<br>Points) | Under the<br>Proposal      |
| Lowest Quintile           | 54.4         | 0.5                  | 0.7   | 63.6                 | -70           | -11.5         | -0.3                 | 2.0                   | -0.7                 | 5.3                        |
| Second Quintile           | 42.9         | 6.3                  | 0.4   | 61.1                 | -80           | -4.0          | -0.2                 | 5.9                   | -0.3                 | 8.0                        |
| Middle Quintile           | 49.6         | 14.8                 | 0.3   | 62.0                 | -110          | -1.8          | -0.2                 | 13.7                  | -0.2                 | 13.3                       |
| Fourth Quintile           | 41.7         | 27.7                 | 0.0   | 7.5                  | -20           | -0.1          | 0.1                  | 21.8                  | 0.0                  | 17.9                       |
| Top Quintile              | 36.1         | 36.6                 | -0.2  | -95.2                | 310           | 0.7           | 0.6                  | 56.5                  | 0.2                  | 25.1                       |
| All                       | 46.7         | 12.5                 | 0.1   | 100.0                | -30           | -0.4          | 0.0                  | 100.0                 | -0.1                 | 17.8                       |
| Addendum                  |              |                      |   |                      |               |               |                      |                       |                      |                            |
| 80-90                     | 37.4         | 35.1                 | -0.2  | -31.0                | 180           | 0.8           | 0.2                  | 16.4                  | 0.2                  | 21.1                       |
| 90-95                     | 34.7         | 37.8                 | -0.3  | -29.5                | 380           | 1.1           | 0.2                  | 11.0                  | 0.2                  | 22.8                       |
| 95-99                     | 33.8         | 40.3                 | -0.3  | -28.1                | 570           | 0.9           | 0.2                  | 12.7                  | 0.2                  | 25.0                       |
| Top 1 Percent             | 34.9         | 32.9                 | -0.1  | -6.7                 | 710           | 0.2           | 0.1                  | 16.4                  | 0.1                  | 34.0                       |
| Top 0.1 Percent           | 42.4         | 24.3                 | 0.0   | -0.4                 | 390           | 0.0           | 0.0                  | 8.1                   | 0.0                  | 35.8                       |

# Baseline Distribution of Income and Federal Taxes by Expanded Cash Income Percentile Adjusted for Family Size, 2018 <sup>1</sup>

| Expanded Cash Income      | Tax U                 | nits                | Pre-Tax In        | come                | Federal Ta        | ax Burden        | After-Tax In      | icome <sup>5</sup>  | Average                          |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|
| Percentile <sup>2,3</sup> | Number<br>(thousands) | Percent of<br>Total | Average (dollars) | Percent of<br>Total | Average (dollars) | Percent of Total | Average (dollars) | Percent of<br>Total | Federal Tax<br>Rate <sup>6</sup> |
| Lowest Quintile           | 26 620                | 29.6                | 10,700            | 6.6                 | 640               | 2.2              | 10.060            | 7.6                 | 6.0                              |
| Lowest Quintile           | 26,620                |                     | •                 |                     |                   | 6.1              | 10,060            |                     | 8.3                              |
| Second Quintile           | 22,430                | 24.9                | 25,270            | 13.1                | 2,100             | _                | 23,170            | 14.7                |                                  |
| Middle Quintile           | 17,990                | 20.0                | 44,230            | 18.4                | 5,970             | 13.9             | 38,270            | 19.4                | 13.5                             |
| Fourth Quintile           | 12,850                | 14.3                | 72,790            | 21.7                | 13,050            | 21.7             | 59,730            | 21.7                | 17.9                             |
| Top Quintile              | 9,550                 | 10.6                | 181,610           | 40.1                | 45,290            | 55.9             | 136,320           | 36.7                | 24.9                             |
| All                       | 90,040                | 100.0               | 47,960            | 100.0               | 8,590             | 100.0            | 39,370            | 100.0               | 17.9                             |
| Addendum                  |                       |                     |                   |                     |                   |                  |                   |                     |                                  |
| 80-90                     | 5,380                 | 6.0                 | 111,500           | 13.9                | 23,360            | 16.3             | 88,140            | 13.4                | 21.0                             |
| 90-95                     | 2,360                 | 2.6                 | 157,050           | 8.6                 | 35,410            | 10.8             | 121,640           | 8.1                 | 22.5                             |
| 95-99                     | 1,520                 | 1.7                 | 258,310           | 9.1                 | 63,950            | 12.5             | 194,360           | 8.3                 | 24.8                             |
| Top 1 Percent             | 290                   | 0.3                 | 1,292,820         | 8.6                 | 439,310           | 16.3             | 853,510           | 6.9                 | 34.0                             |
| Top 0.1 Percent           | 30                    | 0.0                 | 5,871,560         | 4.0                 | 2,099,220         | 8.0              | 3,772,340         | 3.1                 | 35.8                             |

Source: Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center Microsimulation Model (version 0217-1).

(1) Calendar year. Baseline is current law. The proposal would repeal Retirement Savings Contributions Credit, exclusion from income tax of elective contributions to employees' defined contribution plans, and income tax deduction based on contributions to self-employed defined contribution plans and Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs). The proposal would mandate contributions to a Guaranteed Retirement Account (GRA) for any employee or self-employed without a defined benefit pension plan. The mandate would require earners to contribute 1.5% of their combined earnings and self-employment income up to \$3,750. In addition, their employers must contribute 1.5% of employees' earnings up to \$3,750 when earnings are at least \$20,000; otherwise, the required employer contribution would be the smaller between 2% of earnings and \$300. Individuals with self-employment income must make contributions on their own behalf in lieu of employers under the same rule. All GRA employer contributions would be exempt from income and payroll tax. Participants would be eligible for a refundable tax credit which is the smaller between the credit limit and their GRA employee contributions. The GRA employee contributions not qualified for the tax credit would be deductible for income tax purpose. The proposal would allow individuals and their employers to contribute more than the GRA contribution limits, but the combined GRA and non-GRA contributions must not exceed relevant (defined contributions pension or IRA) contribution limits. GRA employer contributions for employees would be exempt from income and payroll tax, but only exempt from only income tax for self-employed. Investment returns from all GRA contributions and non-GRA employer contributions would be taxable and treated as tax-deferred contributions, i.e. investment returns accumulated earnings would be taxable. In contrast, non-GRA elective contributions would be taxable and treated as tax-deferred contributions, i.e. investment returns accumulated tax-free but taxable upon

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(3) The income percentile classes used in this table are based on the income distribution for the entire population and contain an equal number of people, not tax units. The incomes used are adjusted for family size by dividing by the square root of the number of people in the tax unit. The resulting percentile breaks are (in 2017 dollars): 20% \$17,500; 40% \$32,200; 60% \$55,400; 80% \$91,100; 90% \$130,800; 95% \$183,600; 99% \$422,500; 99.9% \$1,969,200.

(4) Includes tax units with a change in federal tax burden of \$10 or more in absolute value.

(5) After-tax income is expanded cash income less: individual income tax net of refundable credits; corporate income tax; payroll taxes (Social Security and Medicare); estate tax; and excise taxes.

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### **Table T17-0200**

### **Guaranteed Retirement Account with \$207 Credit (Present-Value Approach)**

### **Baseline: Current Law**

### Distribution of Federal Tax Change by Expanded Cash Income Percentile Adjusted for Family Size, 2018 <sup>1</sup> Detail Table - Married Tax Units Filing Jointly

| Expanded Cash Income      | Percent of T | ax Units <sup>4</sup> | Percent Change                      | Share of Total          | Average Federa | al Tax Change | Share of Fed         | leral Taxes           | Average Fede         | eral Tax Rate <sup>6</sup> |
|---------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|---------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Percentile <sup>2,3</sup> | With Tax Cut | With Tax<br>Increase  | in After-Tax<br>Income <sup>5</sup> | Federal Tax -<br>Change | Dollars        | Percent       | Change (%<br>Points) | Under the<br>Proposal | Change (%<br>Points) | Under the<br>Proposal      |
| Lowest Quintile           | 69.6         | 0.0                   | 0.7                                 | -15.3                   | -150           | 87.8          | 0.0                  | -0.1                  | -0.7                 | -1.6                       |
| Second Quintile           | 67.0         | 4.4                   | 0.5                                 | -28.3                   | -200           | -6.5          | -0.1                 | 0.9                   | -0.4                 | 6.4                        |
| Middle Quintile           | 59.9         | 16.2                  | 0.3                                 | -40.7                   | -170           | -1.9          | -0.1                 | 4.6                   | -0.2                 | 11.5                       |
| <b>Fourth Quintile</b>    | 54.2         | 26.9                  | 0.1                                 | -30.1                   | -90            | -0.5          | -0.1                 | 14.7                  | -0.1                 | 16.0                       |
| <b>Top Quintile</b>       | 40.2         | 48.2                  | -0.2                                | 215.4                   | 530            | 0.6           | 0.3                  | 79.7                  | 0.2                  | 25.3                       |
| All                       | 53.3         | 26.9                  | -0.1                                | 100.0                   | 80             | 0.2           | 0.0                  | 100.0                 | 0.1                  | 21.5                       |
| Addendum                  |              |                       |                                     |                         |                |               |                      |                       |                      |                            |
| 80-90                     | 43.5         | 43.6                  | -0.2                                | 45.4                    | 230            | 0.7           | 0.1                  | 15.4                  | 0.1                  | 19.6                       |
| 90-95                     | 38.4         | 50.4                  | -0.3                                | 52.7                    | 510            | 0.9           | 0.1                  | 12.8                  | 0.2                  | 22.0                       |
| 95-99                     | 35.4         | 54.7                  | -0.3                                | 88.0                    | 1,010          | 1.0           | 0.2                  | 20.4                  | 0.2                  | 25.0                       |
| Top 1 Percent             | 38.4         | 52.8                  | -0.1                                | 29.3                    | 1,380          | 0.2           | 0.0                  | 31.2                  | 0.1                  | 32.1                       |
| Top 0.1 Percent           | 49.0         | 41.7                  | 0.0                                 | 1.4                     | 690            | 0.0           | 0.0                  | 14.7                  | 0.0                  | 33.2                       |

# Baseline Distribution of Income and Federal Taxes by Expanded Cash Income Percentile Adjusted for Family Size, 2018 <sup>1</sup>

| Expanded Cash Income      | Tax U                 | Inits               | Pre-Tax In        | Pre-Tax Income      |                   | ax Burden        | After-Tax In      | come <sup>5</sup>   | Average                          |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|
| Percentile <sup>2,3</sup> | Number<br>(thousands) | Percent of<br>Total | Average (dollars) | Percent of<br>Total | Average (dollars) | Percent of Total | Average (dollars) | Percent of<br>Total | Federal Tax<br>Rate <sup>6</sup> |
| Lowest Quintile           | 4,940                 | 8.3                 | 20,510            | 1.0                 | -170              | 0.0              | 20,680            | 1.3                 | -0.8                             |
| Second Quintile           | 6,900                 | 11.6                | 45,500            | 3.1                 | 3,100             | 1.0              | 42,390            | 3.7                 | 6.8                              |
| Middle Quintile           | 11,360                | 19.0                | 77,740            | 8.7                 | 9,130             | 4.7              | 68,610            | 9.7                 | 11.7                             |
| Fourth Quintile           | 16,300                | 27.3                | 123,430           | 19.7                | 19,810            | 14.8             | 103,620           | 21.1                | 16.1                             |
| Top Quintile              | 19,780                | 33.2                | 349,730           | 67.8                | 87,880            | 79.4             | 261,850           | 64.7                | 25.1                             |
| All                       | 59,680                | 100.0               | 170,910           | 100.0               | 36,680            | 100.0            | 134,240           | 100.0               | 21.5                             |
| Addendum                  |                       |                     |                   |                     |                   |                  |                   |                     |                                  |
| 80-90                     | 9,500                 | 15.9                | 181,610           | 16.9                | 35,360            | 15.4             | 146,250           | 17.3                | 19.5                             |
| 90-95                     | 5,020                 | 8.4                 | 254,180           | 12.5                | 55,440            | 12.7             | 198,740           | 12.5                | 21.8                             |
| 95-99                     | 4,230                 | 7.1                 | 422,820           | 17.5                | 104,620           | 20.2             | 318,200           | 16.8                | 24.7                             |
| Top 1 Percent             | 1,040                 | 1.7                 | 2,054,280         | 20.9                | 657,750           | 31.2             | 1,396,520         | 18.1                | 32.0                             |
| Top 0.1 Percent           | 100                   | 0.2                 | 9,902,920         | 9.5                 | 3,285,580         | 14.7             | 6,617,340         | 8.1                 | 33.2                             |

Source: Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center Microsimulation Model (version 0217-1).

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### Table T17-0200

### **Guaranteed Retirement Account with \$207 Credit (Present-Value Approach)**

### **Baseline: Current Law**

### Distribution of Federal Tax Change by Expanded Cash Income Percentile Adjusted for Family Size, 2018 <sup>1</sup> Detail Table - Head of Household Tax Units

| Expanded Cash Income      | Percent of T | ax Units 4           | Percent Change                      | Share of Total          | Average Feder | al Tax Change | Share of Fed         | leral Taxes           | Average Fede         | eral Tax Rate <sup>6</sup> |
|---------------------------|--------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Percentile <sup>2,3</sup> | With Tax Cut | With Tax<br>Increase | in After-Tax<br>Income <sup>5</sup> | Federal Tax -<br>Change | Dollars       | Percent       | Change (%<br>Points) | Under the<br>Proposal | Change (%<br>Points) | Under the<br>Proposal      |
| Lowest Quintile           | 93.7         | 0.2                  | 0.9                                 | 48.5                    | -180          | 10.8          | -0.9                 | -8.1                  | -0.9                 | -9.6                       |
| Second Quintile           | 84.0         | 8.0                  | 0.6                                 | 54.0                    | -210          | -10.2         | -0.7                 | 7.7                   | -0.5                 | 4.6                        |
| Middle Quintile           | 60.0         | 26.1                 | 0.2                                 | 19.1                    | -110          | -1.3          | 0.1                  | 23.5                  | -0.2                 | 12.1                       |
| Fourth Quintile           | 44.8         | 38.7                 | -0.1                                | -6.1                    | 60            | 0.3           | 0.6                  | 29.1                  | 0.1                  | 17.2                       |
| <b>Top Quintile</b>       | 41.2         | 43.8                 | -0.2                                | -15.7                   | 340           | 0.5           | 1.0                  | 47.7                  | 0.1                  | 25.3                       |
| All                       | 75.0         | 14.9                 | 0.2                                 | 100.0                   | -120          | -1.6          | 0.0                  | 100.0                 | -0.2                 | 12.4                       |
| Addendum                  |              |                      |                                     |                         |               |               |                      |                       |                      |                            |
| 80-90                     | 43.5         | 43.3                 | -0.2                                | -6.3                    | 230           | 0.7           | 0.3                  | 14.6                  | 0.2                  | 21.2                       |
| 90-95                     | 33.8         | 48.0                 | -0.4                                | -6.8                    | 570           | 1.2           | 0.3                  | 9.3                   | 0.3                  | 22.6                       |
| 95-99                     | 44.9         | 36.2                 | -0.1                                | -1.6                    | 320           | 0.4           | 0.1                  | 7.4                   | 0.1                  | 25.7                       |
| Top 1 Percent             | 45.8         | 42.9                 | -0.1                                | -1.0                    | 960           | 0.1           | 0.3                  | 16.5                  | 0.0                  | 32.8                       |
| Top 0.1 Percent           | 52.7         | 30.0                 | 0.0                                 | -0.1                    | 520           | 0.0           | 0.2                  | 11.2                  | 0.0                  | 33.7                       |

# Baseline Distribution of Income and Federal Taxes by Expanded Cash Income Percentile Adjusted for Family Size, 2018 <sup>1</sup>

| Expanded Cash Income      | Tax U                 | nits                | Pre-Tax In        | Pre-Tax Income      |                   | ax Burden        | After-Tax In      | come <sup>5</sup>   | Average                          |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|
| Percentile <sup>2,3</sup> | Number<br>(thousands) | Percent of<br>Total | Average (dollars) | Percent of<br>Total | Average (dollars) | Percent of Total | Average (dollars) | Percent of<br>Total | Federal Tax<br>Rate <sup>6</sup> |
| Lowest Quintile           | 7,240                 | 31.1                | 19,740            | 10.5                | -1,710            | -7.2             | 21,450            | 13.0                | -8.6                             |
| Second Quintile           | 7,100                 | 30.5                | 40,380            | 21.0                | 2,050             | 8.5              | 38,330            | 22.8                | 5.1                              |
| Middle Quintile           | 4,900                 | 21.1                | 67,110            | 24.1                | 8,230             | 23.4             | 58,870            | 24.2                | 12.3                             |
| Fourth Quintile           | 2,730                 | 11.8                | 104,730           | 21.0                | 18,000            | 28.5             | 86,730            | 19.9                | 17.2                             |
| Top Quintile              | 1,250                 | 5.4                 | 255,750           | 23.5                | 64,260            | 46.7             | 191,500           | 20.1                | 25.1                             |
| All                       | 23,270                | 100.0               | 58,680            | 100.0               | 7,410             | 100.0            | 51,270            | 100.0               | 12.6                             |
| Addendum                  |                       |                     |                   |                     |                   |                  |                   |                     |                                  |
| 80-90                     | 760                   | 3.3                 | 154,240           | 8.6                 | 32,430            | 14.3             | 121,810           | 7.8                 | 21.0                             |
| 90-95                     | 330                   | 1.4                 | 212,090           | 5.1                 | 47,350            | 9.0              | 164,740           | 4.5                 | 22.3                             |
| 95-99                     | 140                   | 0.6                 | 354,670           | 3.6                 | 90,960            | 7.2              | 263,710           | 3.0                 | 25.7                             |
| Top 1 Percent             | 30                    | 0.1                 | 2,924,730         | 6.3                 | 957,490           | 16.2             | 1,967,250         | 4.8                 | 32.7                             |
| Top 0.1 Percent           | *                     | 0.0                 | 16,886,040        | 4.1                 | 5,683,620         | 11.0             | 11,202,420        | 3.1                 | 33.7                             |

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### Table T17-0200

### Guaranteed Retirement Account with \$207 Credit (Present-Value Approach)

### **Baseline: Current Law**

### Distribution of Federal Tax Change by Expanded Cash Income Percentile Adjusted for Family Size, 2018 <sup>1</sup> Detail Table - Tax Units with Children

| Expanded Cash Income      | Percent of T | ax Units 4           | Percent Change  | Share of Total Federal Tax — | Average Federa | al Tax Change | Share of Fede     | ral Taxes             | Average Fede         | eral Tax Rate <sup>6</sup> |
|---------------------------|--------------|----------------------|---|------------------------------|----------------|---------------|-------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Percentile <sup>2,3</sup> | With Tax Cut | With Tax<br>Increase | - in After-Tax Federal Tax Income <sup>5</sup> Change |                              | Dollars        | Percent       | Change (% Points) | Under the<br>Proposal | Change (%<br>Points) | Under the<br>Proposal      |
| Lowest Quintile           | 93.6         | 0.1                  | 0.9   | 1,463.7                      | -190           | 11.6          | -0.2              | -1.6                  | -0.9                 | -8.9                       |
| Second Quintile           | 86.1         | 7.3                  | 0.6   | 1,847.0                      | -240           | -9.9          | -0.2              | 1.9                   | -0.5                 | 5.0                        |
| Middle Quintile           | 66.3         | 24.5                 | 0.3   | 1,341.5                      | -190           | -1.8          | -0.2              | 8.1                   | -0.2                 | 12.7                       |
| Fourth Quintile           | 55.2         | 36.8                 | 0.0   | 301.7                        | -40            | -0.2          | 0.0               | 17.6                  | 0.0                  | 17.3                       |
| Top Quintile              | 38.0         | 56.6                 | -0.3  | -4,881.5                     | 770            | 0.7           | 0.5               | 73.9                  | 0.2                  | 26.3                       |
| All                       | 69.2         | 23.5                 | 0.0   | 100.0                        | *              | 0.0           | 0.0               | 100.0                 | 0.0                  | 20.0                       |
| Addendum                  |              |                      |   |                              |                |               |                   |                       |                      |                            |
| 80-90                     | 41.8         | 52.4                 | -0.2  | -1,261.9                     | 400            | 0.9           | 0.1               | 15.0                  | 0.2                  | 20.7                       |
| 90-95                     | 35.3         | 59.9                 | -0.4  | -1,281.3                     | 800            | 1.2           | 0.1               | 11.8                  | 0.3                  | 23.0                       |
| 95-99                     | 32.1         | 62.5                 | -0.4  | -1,780.7                     | 1,420          | 1.1           | 0.2               | 18.1                  | 0.3                  | 26.4                       |
| Top 1 Percent             | 35.9         | 59.1                 | -0.1  | -557.7                       | 1,740          | 0.2           | 0.1               | 29.0                  | 0.1                  | 32.8                       |
| Top 0.1 Percent           | 45.9         | 47.5                 | 0.0   | -31.7                        | 980            | 0.0           | 0.0               | 13.7                  | 0.0                  | 33.1                       |

# Baseline Distribution of Income and Federal Taxes by Expanded Cash Income Percentile Adjusted for Family Size, 2018 <sup>1</sup>

| Expanded Cash Income<br>Percentile <sup>2,3</sup> | Tax Units             |                     | Pre-Tax Income    |                     | Federal Ta        | ax Burden        | After-Tax Income <sup>5</sup> |                     | Average                          |
|---|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|
|   | Number<br>(thousands) | Percent of<br>Total | Average (dollars) | Percent of<br>Total | Average (dollars) | Percent of Total | Average (dollars)             | Percent of<br>Total | Federal Tax<br>Rate <sup>6</sup> |
| Lowest Quintile                                   | 11,400                | 21.3                | 20,690            | 3.5                 | -1,650            | -1.4             | 22,330                        | 4.7                 | -8.0                             |
| <b>Second Quintile</b>                            | 11,420                | 21.4                | 44,460            | 7.5                 | 2,440             | 2.1              | 42,020                        | 8.9                 | 5.5                              |
| Middle Quintile                                   | 10,780                | 20.2                | 80,050            | 12.8                | 10,370            | 8.3              | 69,680                        | 13.9                | 13.0                             |
| <b>Fourth Quintile</b>                            | 10,130                | 19.0                | 135,440           | 20.3                | 23,520            | 17.6             | 111,920                       | 21.0                | 17.4                             |
| Top Quintile                                      | 9,470                 | 17.7                | 400,530           | 56.2                | 104,700           | 73.3             | 295,830                       | 51.9                | 26.1                             |
| All   | 53,430                | 100.0               | 126,320           | 100.0               | 25,300            | 100.0            | 101,020                       | 100.0               | 20.0                             |
| Addendum  |                       |                     |                   |                     |                   |                  |                               |                     |                                  |
| 80-90   | 4,750                 | 8.9                 | 205,550           | 14.5                | 42,180            | 14.8             | 163,380                       | 14.4                | 20.5                             |
| 90-95   | 2,380                 | 4.5                 | 291,900           | 10.3                | 66,450            | 11.7             | 225,440                       | 9.9                 | 22.8                             |
| 95-99   | 1,860                 | 3.5                 | 497,660           | 13.7                | 130,160           | 17.9             | 367,500                       | 12.7                | 26.2                             |
| Top 1 Percent                                     | 480                   | 0.9                 | 2,510,160         | 17.7                | 820,500           | 28.9             | 1,689,660                     | 14.9                | 32.7                             |
| Top 0.1 Percent                                   | 50                    | 0.1                 | 11,647,050        | 8.3                 | 3,849,390         | 13.7             | 7,797,660                     | 7.0                 | 33.1                             |

Source: Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center Microsimulation Model (version 0217-1).

Note: Tax units with children are those claiming an exemption for children at home or away from home or with children qualifying for the Child Tax Credit or EITC.

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### Guaranteed Retirement Account with \$207 Credit (Present-Value Approach)

### **Baseline: Current Law**

### Distribution of Federal Tax Change by Expanded Cash Income Percentile Adjusted for Family Size, 2018 <sup>1</sup>

**Detail Table - Elderly Tax Units** 

| Expanded Cash Income<br>Percentile <sup>2,3</sup> | Percent of Tax Units 4 |                      | Percent Change                      | Share of Total       | Average Federal Tax Change |         | Share of Federal Taxes |                       | Average Federal Tax Rate <sup>6</sup> |                       |
|---|------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|---------|------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|
|   | With Tax Cut           | With Tax<br>Increase | in After-Tax<br>Income <sup>5</sup> | Federal Tax – Change | Dollars                    | Percent | Change (% Points)      | Under the<br>Proposal | Change (%<br>Points)                  | Under the<br>Proposal |
| Lowest Quintile                                   | 9.7                    | *                    | 0.1                                 | 12.2                 | -10                        | -6.4    | 0.0                    | 0.3                   | -0.1                                  | 1.5                   |
| <b>Second Quintile</b>                            | 12.5                   | 0.2                  | 0.1                                 | 27.0                 | -20                        | -2.8    | 0.0                    | 1.3                   | -0.1                                  | 2.3                   |
| Middle Quintile                                   | 25.0                   | 1.7                  | 0.1                                 | 48.2                 | -40                        | -1.4    | -0.1                   | 4.9                   | -0.1                                  | 5.7                   |
| <b>Fourth Quintile</b>                            | 32.5                   | 6.9                  | 0.1                                 | 50.3                 | -50                        | -0.5    | -0.1                   | 13.6                  | -0.1                                  | 11.5                  |
| <b>Top Quintile</b>                               | 36.6                   | 19.9                 | 0.0                                 | -40.7                | 50                         | 0.1     | 0.2                    | 79.6                  | 0.0                                   | 24.2                  |
| All   | 21.9                   | 4.6                  | 0.0                                 | 100.0                | -20                        | -0.1    | 0.0                    | 100.0                 | 0.0                                   | 16.6                  |
| Addendum  |                        |                      |                                     |                      |                            |         |                        |                       |                                       |                       |
| 80-90   | 36.2                   | 15.9                 | 0.0                                 | 13.2                 | -30                        | -0.1    | 0.0                    | 13.5                  | 0.0                                   | 16.6                  |
| 90-95   | 34.7                   | 19.0                 | 0.0                                 | -7.6                 | 40                         | 0.1     | 0.0                    | 10.6                  | 0.0                                   | 19.4                  |
| 95-99   | 38.4                   | 27.7                 | -0.1                                | -28.8                | 180                        | 0.2     | 0.1                    | 17.9                  | 0.1                                   | 23.3                  |
| Top 1 Percent                                     | 42.6                   | 32.0                 | 0.0                                 | -17.4                | 400                        | 0.1     | 0.1                    | 37.6                  | 0.0                                   | 32.4                  |
| Top 0.1 Percent                                   | 54.2                   | 24.0                 | 0.0                                 | -0.4                 | 80                         | 0.0     | 0.0                    | 20.5                  | 0.0                                   | 33.5                  |

# Baseline Distribution of Income and Federal Taxes by Expanded Cash Income Percentile Adjusted for Family Size, 2018 <sup>1</sup>

| Expanded Cash Income<br>Percentile <sup>2,3</sup> | Tax Units             |                     | Pre-Tax Income    |                     | Federal Ta        | ax Burden        | After-Tax Income <sup>5</sup> |                     | Average                          |
|---|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|
|   | Number<br>(thousands) | Percent of<br>Total | Average (dollars) | Percent of<br>Total | Average (dollars) | Percent of Total | Average (dollars)             | Percent of<br>Total | Federal Tax<br>Rate <sup>6</sup> |
| Lowest Quintile                                   | 7,760                 | 17.7                | 12,910            | 2.9                 | 200               | 0.3              | 12,710                        | 3.4                 | 1.6                              |
| Second Quintile                                   | 12,000                | 27.3                | 27,010            | 9.3                 | 650               | 1.4              | 26,360                        | 10.8                | 2.4                              |
| Middle Quintile                                   | 9,540                 | 21.7                | 51,560            | 14.1                | 2,990             | 4.9              | 48,570                        | 15.9                | 5.8                              |
| Fourth Quintile                                   | 7,630                 | 17.4                | 90,370            | 19.7                | 10,400            | 13.7             | 79,970                        | 20.9                | 11.5                             |
| Top Quintile                                      | 6,630                 | 15.1                | 287,440           | 54.5                | 69,560            | 79.4             | 217,870                       | 49.5                | 24.2                             |
| All   | 43,950                | 100.0               | 79,580            | 100.0               | 13,200            | 100.0            | 66,370                        | 100.0               | 16.6                             |
| Addendum  |                       |                     |                   |                     |                   |                  |                               |                     |                                  |
| 80-90   | 3,360                 | 7.6                 | 140,140           | 13.5                | 23,320            | 13.5             | 116,820                       | 13.5                | 16.6                             |
| 90-95   | 1,600                 | 3.6                 | 198,250           | 9.1                 | 38,400            | 10.6             | 159,850                       | 8.8                 | 19.4                             |
| 95-99   | 1,320                 | 3.0                 | 338,490           | 12.7                | 78,640            | 17.8             | 259,850                       | 11.7                | 23.2                             |
| Top 1 Percent                                     | 360                   | 0.8                 | 1,893,990         | 19.2                | 613,960           | 37.5             | 1,280,030                     | 15.6                | 32.4                             |
| Top 0.1 Percent                                   | 40                    | 0.1                 | 8,634,630         | 10.1                | 2,894,380         | 20.4             | 5,740,240                     | 8.1                 | 33.5                             |

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Note: Elderly tax units are those with either head or spouse (if filing jointly) age 65 or older.

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