



# Information Technology Industry Council

May 6, 2014

The Honorable John Boehner  
Speaker of the House  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi  
Minority Leader  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Re: H.R. 4438, the “American Research and Competitiveness Act”

Dear Speaker Boehner and Leader Pelosi:

On behalf of the members of the Information Technology Industry Council (ITI), I write to express our support for H.R. 4438, the “American Research and Competitiveness Act.” ITI supports efforts to create a permanent research and development tax credit, inclusive of all technologies, that incentivizes and rewards domestic innovation. ***Given the importance of this issue to the high-tech community, we will consider scoring votes in support of final passage of the American Research and Competitiveness Act in our 113th Congressional Voting Guide.***

ITI is the premier advocacy and policy organization for 57 of the world’s leading information and communications technology companies, including computer hardware and software, internet services, and wireless networking companies. We believe this legislation represents a positive step forward in modernizing our tax code, increasing the competitiveness of the American economy and its businesses, and delivering a boost to American job creation efforts. Previous research shows that the policies embodied in H.R. 4438 would increase annual GDP growth by \$66 billion and create at least 162,000 jobs in the tech sector alone.

On behalf of ITI’s member companies, I thank you, Ways and Means Committee Chairman Dave Camp and Ranking Member Sander Levin, and Reps. Kevin Brady and John Larson for your leadership and continued bipartisan efforts on this critical issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dean C. Garfield", written in a cursive style.

Dean C. Garfield  
President and CEO  
Information Technology Industry Council

Cc: Members of the House of Representatives