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Government Stimulus Bill

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This bill almost doubles the value of the Section 179 expense perk, allowing businesses to deduct as much as \$250,000 of qualified expenses in 2008, with the phase-out threshold for that perk rising to \$800,000. The idea is the incentive will give business more of a reason to purchase equipment or finance it. 80% of all machine tool purchases are financed or leased.

Before, the deduction was limited to \$128,000 worth of expenses in 2008 and the phase-out was \$510,000. Also, the stimulus package makes the business depreciation provision more valuable, allowing a company to depreciate an additional 50% of the cost of an asset bought in 2008.

The main benefit is to give businesses incentive to purchase \$250,000 or more in equipment to deduct the cost in one year rather than spread the cost by depreciation over time schedule.

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