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To amend title 35, United States Code, to make certain clarifications with respect to joint inventors.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. KASTENMEIER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 116 of title 35, United States Code, is amended by amending the first paragraph to read as follows:

"When two or more persons have contributed to making an invention, they shall apply for patent jointly and each shall sign the application and make the required oath, except as otherwise provided in this title. Joint inventors need not have made a contribution to each claim contained in the application.".

SEC. 2. The amendment made by the first section of this Act shall apply to any unexpired United States patent granted before the date of the enactment of this Act and to any United States patent granted on or after such date.

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