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Prosperity and Growth

The Hamilton Project Economic Policy Innovation Prize

\$25,000 Awarded for Best Innovative Policy Proposals

The Hamilton Project, an initiative at the Brookings Institution, announces \$25,000 in prizes for the best innovative policy proposals written by undergraduate and graduate students. The top undergraduate student proposal will be awarded \$10,000 and the top graduate student proposal will be awarded \$15,000. In addition to the cash prizes, the winners will be invited to present their policy proposals to the Hamilton Project Advisory Council (which includes two former Treasury Secretaries as well as leaders from business, academia, and the public policy community). The winners may also be invited to turn their proposals into discussion papers issued by the Project.

Submissions should include a cover letter containing contact information for the author. The proposal itself should be no more than 10 pages of single-spaced 12 point font text, exclusive of any charts or tables, and should include an abstract of no more than 250 words that clearly describes the policy problem to be addressed and the specific proposal for addressing it. Neither the proposal nor the abstract should include information identifying the author or his/her institution.

Criteria for evaluating the proposals include (a) the rigor of the evidence supporting the proposal; (b) the importance and relevance of the policy problem addressed; and (c) the degree to which the proposal is both innovative and consistent with the Hamilton Project's strategic goals, as described in "An Economic Strategy to Advance Opportunity, Prosperity, and Growth" www.hamiltonproject.org/views/papers/thp_strategy.htm; proposals in the areas of **education, health care, social insurance, science and technology policy, tax policy, energy, and saving policy** are particularly welcome.

The Hamilton Project Economic Policy Innovation Prize is open to students at accredited United States Institutions. In order to qualify, both undergraduate and graduate students must be enrolled with their institution at the time their proposals are submitted to The Hamilton Project.

Proposals should be submitted in electronic form to policyprize@hamiltonproject.org, no later than 5:00 pm eastern time on Friday, June 1, 2007. A selection committee will review the applications and the winners will be notified in September 2007.

For more information about the Hamilton Project, please visit www.hamiltonproject.org.

