

June 7, 2006

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chapter Presidents and Legislative Coordinators

RE: Private Tax Collection

SUMMARY: We expect efforts to strip the Treasury, Transportation bill of the Rothman Amendment, which prevents the IRS from moving forward with private tax collection.

The full House of Representatives is expected to vote next week, most likely on Wednesday, June 14th, on the FY 2007 Treasury, Transportation Appropriations bill. We expect efforts to strip the language successfully included by the Rothman Amendment, which would prevent the IRS from moving forward with private tax collection.

It is critically important that members of the House are informed about how dangerous the IRS private tax collection plan is and the opposition that exists to it from IRS employees and other taxpayers.

I am attaching a vote tally from the Appropriations Committee on the Rothman Amendment. If you have a member of Congress from your area on the committee, I hope you will let them know how you feel about their vote.

It is extremely important that all members of the House hear from NTEU members on this important issue by next Wednesday. Calling offices is always a good way to communicate. For more information on this issue and what you can do on it, go to Capwiz at www.nteu.org.

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Attachment

Rothman amendment to bar the Internal Revenue Service from using private collection agencies to collect delinquent taxes.

Tally: 29 Yes, 27 No, 10 Not Voting

Republicans (37)

N Aderholt (R-Ala.)
N Alexander (R-La.)
N Bonilla (R-Texas)
N Carter (R-Texas)
N Crenshaw (R-Fla.)
N Culberson (R-Texas)
NV Delay (R-Texas)
NV Doolittle (R-Calif.)
NV Emerson (R-Mo.)
NV Frelinghuysen (R-N.J.)
N Goode (R-Va.)
NV Granger (R-Texas)
N Hobson (R-Ohio)
NV Istook (R-Okla.)
NV Kingston (R-Ga.)
N Kirk (R-Ill.)
N Knollenberg (R-MI)
N Kolbe (R-Ariz.)
N Lewis (R-Calif)
NV LaHood (R-Ill.)
N Latham (R-Iowa)
N Northup (R-Ky.)
N Peterson (R-Pa.)
N Regula (R-Ohio)
N Rehberg (R-Mont.)
N Rogers (R-Ky.)
N Sherwood (R-Pa)
N Simpson (R-Idaho)
NV Sweeney (R-N.Y.)
N Taylor (R-NC)
N Tiahrt (R-Kan.)
N Walsh (R-N.Y.)
N Wamp (R-Tenn.)
N Weldon (R-Pa.)
N Wicker (R-Miss.)
Y Wolf (R-Va.)
N Young (R-Fla.)

Democrats (29)

Y Berry (D-Ark..)
Y Bishop (D-Ga.)
Y Boyd (D-Fla.)
Y Clyburn (D-S.C.)
Y Cramer (D-Ala.)
Y DeLauro (D-Conn.)
Y Dicks (D-Wash.)
Y Edwards (D-Texas)
Y Farr (D-Calif.)
Y Fattah (D-Pa.)
NV Hinchey (D-N.Y.)
Y Hoyer (D-Md.)
Y Jackson (D-Ill.)
Y Kaptur (D-Ohio)
Y Kennedy (D-R.I.)
Y Kilpatrick (D-Mich.)
Y Lowey (D-N.Y.)
Y Mollohan (D-W.Va.)
Y Moran (D-Va.)
Y Murtha (D-Pa.)
Y Obey (D-Wisc.)
Y Olver (D-Mass.)
Y Pastor (D-Ariz.)
Y Price (D-N.C.)
Y Rothman (D-N.J.)
Y Roybal-Allard (D-Calif.)
Y Sabo (D-Minn.)
Y Serrano (D-N.Y.)
Y Visclosky (D-Ind.)