### 117TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

# H. R. 6800

To prohibit the Internal Revenue Service from hiring enforcement personnel until processing of certain individual tax returns is completed.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 18, 2022

Mr. Westerman (for himself, Mr. Keller, Mr. Latta, Mr. McKinley, Mrs. Miller of Illinois, Mr. Burchett, Mrs. Miller-Meeks, Mr. Good of Virginia, Mr. Thompson of Pennsylvania, Mr. Moore of Alabama, Mr. Carter of Georgia, Mr. Hill, and Mr. Gohmert) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

# A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Internal Revenue Serv-
- 5 ice Processing Returns Instead Of Removing Innocent
- 6 Taxpayers' Income Every Season Act of 2022" or the
- 7 "IRS PRIORITIES Act of 2022".

### 1 SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON HIRING OF ENFORCEMENT PER-

- 2 **SONNEL.**
- 3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provi-
- 4 sion of law, the Secretary of the Treasury (or the Sec-
- 5 retary's delegate) may not hire new enforcement personnel
- 6 until all individual tax returns from tax year 2019 and
- 7 2020 are processed.
- 8 (b) Enforcement Personnel.—For purposes of
- 9 this section, the term "enforcement personnel" means em-
- 10 ployees of the Internal Revenue Service who are—
- 11 (1) special agents in the criminal investigation
- division,
- 13 (2) revenue officers, or
- 14 (3) revenue agents.

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