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# H. R. 6800

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

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## 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

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## A BILL

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

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  
12 division,  
13 (2) revenue officers, or  
14 (3) revenue agents.

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