

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

August 31, 2018

The Honorable Kevin Brady
Chairman
House Committee on Ways and Means
1102 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Richard E. Neal
Ranking Member
House Committee on Ways and Means
1139E Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Brady and Ranking Member Neal:

We are writing to urge the Committee on Ways and Means to hold a hearing on tax issues impacting our constituents living abroad. Specifically, the hearing should focus on compliance with the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA).

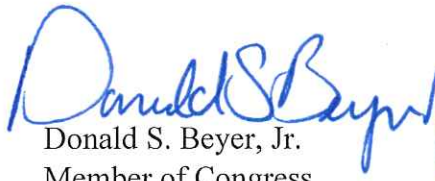
Many Americans must comply with FATCA, which can place undue burdens on expatriates. The primary complaint voiced by our constituents is privacy protections. We would like to review how the Department of Treasury is safeguarding and sharing personal data. The committee should examine the intergovernmental agreements with countries to determine how foreign financial institutions are reporting our constituents' data to the Internal Revenue Service. Additionally, the committee should examine the related problem of banking "lock-out" where US citizens living overseas are being refused foreign financial services due to the reporting requirements of FATCA.

Again, we urge the committee to hold a hearing on tax issues impacting our constituents living abroad. If you have questions or need more information, please contact Ryan McManus at (202) 225-5136, or by email at ryan.mcmanus@mail.house.gov, Zach Cafritz at (202) 225-4376 or by email at zach.cafritz@mail.house.gov, or Rick Podliska at (202) 225-3671, or by email at rick.podliska@mail.house.gov. Thank you for your service, and consideration of our request. We look forward to your response.

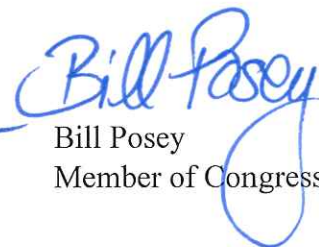
Sincerely,



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