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

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