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## Cosponsor H.R. 2022, Stopping Government Abuse of Taxpayer Information Act

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Dear Colleague,

The ongoing Internal Revenue Service (IRS) scandal underscores the urgent need to prevent future misuses of taxpayer information by **ALL** government agencies involved with Obamacare. Government bureaucrats are currently creating a “Federal Data Services Hub” where personal information of U.S. citizens will be shared and transmitted from the **Internal Revenue Service** (IRS), **Health and Human Services** (HHS), **Department of Justice** (DOJ), **Department of Homeland Security** (DHS), and **Social Security Administration** (SSA) for the purposes of implementing and enforcing Obamacare. This begs Congressional action.

I have introduced the “Stopping Government Abuse of Taxpayer Information Act,” H.R. 2022, which would:

- **Require all government agencies providing information through Obamacare’s Federal Data Services Hub** to present to Congress under perjury of the law, certification that the American people’s sensitive information will not be used for targeting any individual or group based on their political beliefs;
- **Require the termination of all employees** who targeted Americans based on their political beliefs, knew about abuses and declined to come forward, and/or misled investigators;
- Halt implementation and enforcement of Obamacare until the above is certified.

Despite the spiraling IRS scandal, President Obama remains intent on creating unprecedented access to the American people’s financial, health, and personal information through Obamacare’s Federal Data Services Hub.

Stopping the IRS does not go far enough. We must ensure that every government agency providing information through this “hub” has put in place strict security, privacy, oversight, and accountability measures in order to certify the impartiality and protection of the American people’s personal information. Anything less is a ticking time bomb that will ultimately end up subjecting the American people to further violations of Constitutional rights.

With only months before Obamacare is fully implemented, time is of the essence for Congress to act to protect the American people. Whether lawmakers support Obamacare or not, the ongoing IRS scandal begs a legislative response demanding the administration, the IRS, and all government agencies with access to the Federal Data Services Hub prove to the American people that this corruption will never happen again.

### **Federal Data Services Hub Background**

To monitor compliance with the rules and regulations of Obamacare, the IRS and HHS are creating a Federal Data Services Hub – an online mechanism that checks an individual's IRS records (for income and employment status), Social Security records (for identity), Homeland Security records (for citizenship), Justice Department records (for criminal history), and Health and Human Services records (for enrollment in entitlement programs and certain medical claims data), as well as state government records (for residency) in order to determine eligibility.

If you have questions or would like to cosponsor, please contact Robert Cogan in my office at ext. 54227 or by email at [robert.cogan@mail.house.gov](mailto:robert.cogan@mail.house.gov).

Sincerely,



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