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HR 2037

Religious Freedom Peace Tax Fund Act

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Rep. Honda, Michael M. [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Oct 5, 2004
Rep. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA-7]	D · MA		Oct 7, 2004

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	May 8, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Taxation

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of May 8, 2003)

Religious Freedom Peace Tax Fund Act - Directs the Secretary of the Treasury to establish in the Treasury the Religious Freedom Peace Tax Fund for the deposit of income, gift, and estate taxes paid by or on behalf of taxpayers: (1) who are designated conscientious objectors opposed to participation in war in any form based upon the taxpayer's deeply held moral, ethical, or religious beliefs or training (within the meaning of the Military Selective Service Act); and (2) who have certified these beliefs in writing.

Requires that funds in the Religious Freedom Peace Tax Fund be allocated annually to any appropriation not for a military purpose.

Declares the sense of Congress that any Treasury increase resulting from the creation of the Religious Freedom Peace Tax Fund shall be allocated in a manner consistent with the purposes of the Fund.

Actions Timeline

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