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HR 1540

Civil Rights Tax Relief Act of 2007 Congress: 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

Chamber: House
Policy Area: Taxation
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Committee Activity

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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

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| 110 S 1689 Related bill Jun 25, 2007: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. | 10 S 1689 Related bill |

Summary (as of Mar 15, 2007)

Civil Rights Tax Relief Act of 2007 - Amends the Internal Revenue Code to: (1) allow an exclusion from gross income for amounts received (either backpay or frontpay or punitive damages) on account of an unlawful discrimination claim; and (2) allow income averaging for backpay and frontpay amounts received from such claims.

Actions Timeline

- Mar 15, 2007: Introduced in House
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