

## HR 4890

To impose a ban on the payment of bonuses to employees of the Internal Revenue Service until the Secretary of the Treasury develops and implements a comprehensive customer service strategy.

**Congress:** 114 (2015–2017, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Taxation

**Introduced:** Apr 11, 2016

**Current Status:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

**Latest Action:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Apr 25, 2016)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/house-bill/4890>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Meehan, Patrick [R-PA-7]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** PA • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Sessions, Pete [R-TX-32]	R · TX		Apr 14, 2016

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 25, 2016
Ways and Means Committee	House	Reported By	Apr 18, 2016

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Taxation

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HRES 688	Related bill	Apr 19, 2016: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

(Sec. 1) This bill prohibits the Department of the Treasury from paying a bonus, award, or similar cash payment to any Internal Revenue Service (IRS) employee until Treasury develops and submits to Congress a comprehensive customer service strategy that has been reviewed and approved by the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration.

The strategy must include: (1) appropriate telephone and correspondence levels of service; (2) a thorough assessment of which services the IRS can shift to self-service options; and (3) proposals to improve customer service over the short-term, the medium-term, and the long-term.

In developing the strategy, Treasury must consult with the National Taxpayer Advocate.

Treasury must submit semiannual reports to Congress on the status of its customer service strategy and actions taken to improve customer service.

(Sec. 2) No additional funds are authorized to be appropriated or otherwise made available to carry out this bill.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Apr 25, 2016:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
- **Apr 21, 2016:** Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 688. (consideration: CR H1905-1908, H1908-1911)
- **Apr 21, 2016:** Previous question shall be considered as ordered without intervening motions except motion to recommit with or without instructions. Resolution provides for the consideration of H.R. 4890 and H.R. 3724.
- **Apr 21, 2016:** House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union pursuant to H. Res. 688 and Rule XVIII.
- **Apr 21, 2016:** The Speaker designated the Honorable Rodney Davis to act as Chairman of the Committee.
- **Apr 21, 2016:** GENERAL DEBATE - The Committee of the Whole proceeded with one hour of general debate on H.R. 4890.
- **Apr 21, 2016:** RISING INFORMALLY - The Committee of the Whole rose informally to receive a message. Subsequently the Committee resumed its' sitting.
- **Apr 21, 2016:** DEBATE - Pursuant to the provisions of H.Res. 688, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Meehan amendment No. 1 printed in House Report 114-503.
- **Apr 21, 2016:** DEBATE - Pursuant to the provisions of H.Res. 688, the Committee of the Whole proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Sanford amendment No. 2 printed in House Report 114-503.
- **Apr 21, 2016:** The House rose from the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union to report H.R. 4890.
- **Apr 21, 2016:** The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule. (consideration: CR H1910)
- **Apr 21, 2016:** The House adopted the amendment in the nature of a substitute as agreed to by the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union. (text of measure in the nature of a substitute: CR H1909)
- **Apr 21, 2016:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 260 - 158 (Roll no. 162).
- **Apr 21, 2016:** On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 260 - 158 (Roll no. 162).
- **Apr 21, 2016:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Apr 18, 2016:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Ways and Means. H. Rept. 114-501.
- **Apr 18, 2016:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 383.
- **Apr 18, 2016:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 688 Reported to House. Previous question shall be considered as ordered without intervening motions except motion to recommit with or without instructions. Resolution provides for the consideration of H.R. 4890 and H.R. 3724.
- **Apr 13, 2016:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Apr 13, 2016:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 24 - 15.
- **Apr 11, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 11, 2016:** Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.