

HR 5005

No Hires for the Delinquent Congress Act

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Sponsor

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| 114 HR 1206 | Related bill | Apr 25, 2016: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 434. |

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This bill prohibits any legislative branch office from extending an offer of employment to any individual until the applicable certifying official (the Speaker of the House and/or the President pro tempore of the Senate) submits to Congress either: (1) a written certification that the office does not employ any individual who has a seriously delinquent tax debt, or (2) a report detailing why the certification cannot be made.

The certifying official's report when such a certification is not made must:

- state that the certification cannot be made,
- explain why the certification is not possible,
- outline remedial actions required for the certifying official to be in a position to so certify, and
- indicate the time required for those actions to be completed.

A seriously delinquent tax debt is an outstanding tax debt for which the Internal Revenue Service has filed a notice of lien in public records, excluding a tax debt: (1) that is being paid in a timely manner under an approved installment payment agreement or an offer-in-compromise, (2) for which a collection due process hearing has been requested or is pending, (3) for which a tax levy has been issued, or (4) with respect to which relief has been granted due to economic hardship.

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