

114TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 6026

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 14, 2016

Mr. HUFFMAN (for himself, Mr. POLIS, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. WALZ, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. HECK of Washington, Mr. VARGAS, Ms. ESTY, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Mr. PETERSON, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. AGUILAR, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. PERLMUTTER, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. LEWIS, Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts, Ms. BROWNLEY of California, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. POCAN, Mr. SWALWELL of California, Mr. CLAY, Mr. LOEBSACK, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. DESAULNIER, Mr. ELLISON, Mr. MURPHY of Florida, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. CAPUANO, Ms. FRANKEL of Florida, Mr. PASCARELL, Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California, and Mr. RUIZ) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

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## A BILL

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retary of the Treasury is in the process of auditing any of the candidate's individual Federal income tax returns.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. REQUIRING CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENT AND**  
4 **VICE PRESIDENT TO PROVIDE INFORMATION**  
5 **ON AUDIT STATUS OF FEDERAL INCOME TAX**  
6 **RETURNS.**

7 (a) DISCLOSURE OF AUDIT STATUS REQUIRED.—  
8 Section 102 of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 (5  
9 U.S.C. App. 102) is amended by adding at the end the  
10 following new subsection:

11 “(j) In the case of a report filed pursuant to sub-  
12 section (e) of section 101 by an individual who is a can-  
13 didate for nomination or election to the office of President  
14 or Vice President, the report shall include a statement ob-  
15 tained by the individual from the Secretary of the Treas-  
16 ury regarding whether or not the Secretary is in the proc-  
17 ess of auditing any of the individual's individual Federal  
18 income tax returns, and, if so, the taxable year of the tax  
19 return involved.”.

20 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—The amendment made by  
22 subsection (a) shall apply with respect to individuals  
23 who first become candidates for election to the office

1 of President or Vice President after the date of the  
2 enactment of this Act.

3 (2) SPECIAL RULE FOR 2016.—Each candidate  
4 who won the nomination of a political party for elec-  
5 tion to the office of President or Vice President in  
6 2016 shall comply with subsection (j) of section 102  
7 of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, as added  
8 by subsection (a), not later than September 26,  
9 2016.

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