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On Behalf Of:

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I would not support this bill if it included the following action.

**STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

“For taxpayers with adjusted gross income in excess of \$250,000, disallows mortgage interest deduction for interest paid or accrued on indebtedness of taxpayer’s principal residence.”

Reasons for non support.

Adjusted gross income is not an indication of wealth or liquidity.

Adjusted gross income does not consider expenses such as; Changes in family financial responsibilities. Reduction in net worth. Other Debt responsibilities, including personal financial guarantees, increase in medical expenses and increase in daily living expenses due to health requirements. Family member(s) qualifying for Medicaid and subsequent sale of assets. Additional taxes and reduction in deferred income (IRA, 401K) if funds need to be withdrawn. Increase in the mortgage interest rate on existing loans with floating rate adjustments.

Respectfully,

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