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113<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 744

**[Report No. 113-]**

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### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 15, 2013

Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ (for herself and Mr. SMITH of Texas) introduced  
the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JULY --, 2014

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole  
House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on February 15, 2013]

# **A BILL**

To provide effective criminal prosecutions for certain identity thefts, and for other purposes.

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 *This Act may be cited as the “Stopping Tax Offenders*  
5 *and Prosecuting Identity Theft Act of 2014” or the “STOP*  
6 *Identity Theft Act of 2014”.*

7 **SEC. 2. USE OF DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE RESOURCES**

8 **WITH REGARD TO TAX RETURN IDENTITY**  
9 **THEFT.**

10 *(a) IN GENERAL.—The Attorney General should make*  
11 *use of all existing resources of the Department of Justice,*  
12 *including any appropriate task forces, to bring more per-*  
13 *petrators of tax return identity theft to justice.*

14 *(b) CONSIDERATIONS TO BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT.—*  
15 *In carrying out this section, the Attorney General should*  
16 *take into account the following:*

17 *(1) The need to concentrate efforts in those areas*  
18 *of the country where the crime is most frequently re-*  
19 *ported.*

20 *(2) The need to coordinate with State and local*  
21 *authorities for the most efficient use of their laws and*  
22 *resources to prosecute and prevent the crime.*

23 *(3) The need to protect vulnerable groups, such*  
24 *as veterans, seniors, and minors (especially foster*



1                   “(D) during and in relation to a felony  
2                   under section 7206 or 7207 of the Internal Rev-  
3                   enue Code of 1986;”.

4 **SEC. 5. REPORTING REQUIREMENT.**

5                   Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment  
6 of this Act, the Attorney General shall submit to the Com-  
7 mittees on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives  
8 and the Senate a report that contains the following infor-  
9 mation:

10                   (1) Information readily available to the Depart-  
11                   ment of Justice about trends in the incidence of tax  
12                   return identity theft.

13                   (2) Recommendations on additional statutory  
14                   tools that would aid in the effective prosecution of tax  
15                   return identity theft.

16                   (3) The status on implementing the recommenda-  
17                   tions of the Department’s March 2010 Audit Report  
18                   10-21 entitled “The Department of Justice’s Efforts to  
19                   Combat Identity Theft”.