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S. C. R. No. 10

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Cosponsors: Senators Hughes, Patton, Buehrer, Miller, D., Carey, Goodman, Cates, Wilson, Wagoner

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the Congress of the United States, the	1
Secretary of the Treasury, and the Internal	2
Revenue Service to withdraw application of the new	3
federal income tax withholding schedules to	4
pensioners.	5

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF OHIO (THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING):

WHEREAS, The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009	6
(Public Law 111-5, the federal "stimulus" bill) enacted the Making	7
Work Pay Tax Credit, a credit against federal income tax computed	8
on the basis of earned income; and	9
WHEREAS, The Internal Revenue Service issued new tax	10
withholding schedules incorporating the credit by reducing	11
periodic tax withholding; and	12
WHEREAS, The new withholding schedules apply not only to	13
earnings but also to certain periodic pension payments; and	14
WHEREAS, The Internal Revenue Service acknowledges that the	15
new schedules will cause many pensioners with no earned income to	16
have insufficient tax withheld from pension payments to cover	17
their annual tax liabilities; and	18

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WHEREAS, Many pensioners therefore are forced to adjust tax 19 withholding to avoid under-withholding from their pension 20 payments, which entails the filing of new W-4P forms; and 21

WHEREAS, Failure to file new W-4P forms will cause financial 22
hardship for pensioners by burdening them with unanticipated 23
end-of-year federal income tax liabilities; now therefore be it 24

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Treasury and the Internal 25 Revenue Service are hereby encouraged to immediately withdraw 26 application of the new tax withholding schedules to pension 27 payments and, failing that, that the Congress of the United States 28 enact such laws or take such actions as are necessary to cause the 29 expeditious withdrawal of such schedules insofar as they apply to 30 pensioners; and be it further 31

RESOLVED, That within five days after the adoption of this 32 resolution, the Clerk of the Senate shall send a certified copy to 33 the United States Department of the Treasury, to the Commissioner 34 of Internal Revenue, to each member of this state's delegation to 35 the United States House of Representatives and United States 36 Senate, and to the news media. 37