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Proposed Tax Bill to Raise Income Taxes Has Strong Support From Local Democrats

Grundy, Will, Iroquois, Livingston, LaSalle, and Kankakee Counties, IL. – On April 3rd legislation was filed (HJRCA0042) that would, in short, raise taxes affecting mainly families with combined incomes. This proposed bill would tax families based on the combined income of spouses rather than their individual income. Currently, the Illinois tax rate is 3% of an individual’s net income. A combined income would mean that many families would be subject to a 6% tax rate; doubling the amount they currently pay in taxes. According to David McAloon, this bill lacks “common sense”.

On April 10th, HJRCA0042 failed to garner the votes it needed to stay alive. Though the bill lost in the Illinois House of Representatives, 75th State Rep Careen Gordon was among those who voted in favor of the bill. However, Gordon is listed by the Americans For Tax Reform (ATR) as having signed a pledge stating, “I...pledge to the taxpayers...to all the people of this state, that I will oppose and vote against any and all efforts to increase taxes.”

David McAloon has expressed his opposition to such legislation that would raise taxes or fees of any kind. “It’s pretty simple; any time you raise taxes and fees, someone loses their job.,” stated McAloon. Like many of the constituents, McAloon is aware of the affects of the rising costs of utilities, food, gasoline, and education and knows the strain these increases have caused on working Illinois families.

McAloon’s background, including 15 years of fighting for limited government and lower taxes on working families, substantiates his experience and longevity against increased taxes.

McAloon, having signed the pledge through ATR to vote against any increase in taxes, is very clear on his position on taxes and fees. When asked how he thinks we can change the economic climate in our state, McAloon had this to say; “We need to roll back tax and fee increases from the past five years so that we can start attracting good, wage-earning jobs to Illinois rather than sending them to other states.”

For more information on this and McAloon’s position on other issues, contact info@friendsformcaloon.org or visit our website at www.friendsformcaloon.org. To view the ATR pledge online with a complete list of participants, visit <http://www.atr.org/content/pdf/2007/sept/091007ot-statepledge.pdf>. For information on legislation and list of supporters, visit <http://www.ilga.gov/>.

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