



MESSAGE FROM MAX COOK

MBA: IRS Reporting Mandate Grossly Violates Your Privacy

MBA sent an [op-ed to Missouri newspapers](#) today calling out a highly controversial proposal that would require banks to report customer account information to the IRS. This commentary comes on the heels of comments by U.S. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., who [told reporters](#) Tuesday that Democrats plan to include this tax reporting provision in their budget reconciliation package. As you already know, that provision would require banks to report information to the IRS on gross inflows and outflows of customer accounts above a certain de minimis threshold.

Pelosi did not specify what the threshold would be, although Democrats have eyed a \$10,000 threshold in recent days, up from the \$600 threshold originally proposed by the Biden administration. Despite the Pelosi's remarks, House Democrats have not yet agreed on the details of a final reconciliation package, and no vote has been scheduled at this time. Any final version will have to also clear the U.S. Senate, where some Democrats are pushing for a smaller package.

MBA, along with American Bankers Association and other state bankers associations, has aggressively opposed the tax reporting proposal at any dollar threshold, calling it "bad tax policy" and urging lawmakers to reject it from any future legislation. In a recent [letter to lawmakers](#), ABA and other banking trade groups noted that "the impact on average Americans and the safety and privacy of their financial information would not be mitigated by raising the reporting threshold to \$10,000 or even \$100,000. ... In the end, whether it is average workers or self-employed citizens virtually all Americans will be subject to this new reporting."

MBA continues to urge [banks](#) and [their customers](#) to contact their representatives to let them know they firmly oppose this proposal.

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