

119TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 4964

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 14, 2026

Mr. MARSHALL (for himself and Mr. WELCH) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

A BILL

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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 “Protecting Innocent
5 Taxpayers from Endless Assessments Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. LIMITATION PERIOD NOT EXTENDED FOR VICTIMS**
2 **OF PREPARER FRAUD.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 6501(c)(1) of the Internal
4 Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by inserting “by the
5 taxpayer” after “intent”.

6 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
7 this section shall apply to assessments made or pro-
8 ceedings begun after the date of enactment of this Act.

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