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# H. R. 658

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 14, 2001

Mr. HERGER (for himself, Mrs. THURMAN, Ms. DUNN, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. ENGLISH, and Mr. CAMP) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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## 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 “Farmer Tax Fairness

5       Act”.

1   **SEC. 2. INCOME AVERAGING FOR FARMERS NOT TO IN-**  
2                   **CREASE ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM TAX LIABIL-**  
3                   **ITY.**

4       (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 55(c) of the Internal Rev-  
5 enue Code of 1986 (defining regular tax) is amended by  
6 redesignating paragraph (2) as paragraph (3) and by in-  
7 serting after paragraph (1) the following:

8               **“(2) COORDINATION WITH INCOME AVERAGING**  
9               **FOR FARMERS.**—Solely for purposes of this section,  
10           section 1301 (relating to averaging of farm income)  
11           shall not apply in computing the regular tax.”

12       (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by  
13           this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after  
14           December 31, 1997.

