

The Honorable Mike Johnson
Speaker of the House
H-232, The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Speaker Johnson,

After hearing various reports regarding the process for which a bipartisan tax package may move in the House of Representatives, we write today to formally request that any tax package go through regular order before it is brought to the House floor for a vote.

In your tenure as Speaker, you and Republican leadership have done an exceptional job in ensuring that individual Members of Congress, regardless of seniority, remain engaged and involved in legislation on which we are working for the American People. Allowing Members to submit amendments and ideas for consideration has been paramount in ensuring true representation of our constituents. To suspend that process now would be a disservice to the constituents we represent and would taint your commitment to regular order and hard work our Conference is doing to make sure our legislative work remains transparent and accountable.

Since the start of the 118th Congress, we have remained in constant contact with you and other Members of Republican leadership, including the House Committee on Ways and Means Chairman Jason Smith to express our unwavering support of lifting the State and Local Tax (SALT) deduction. As you know, the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 established a cap of \$10,000 for the SALT cap.

Through no fault of their own, middle class families have been unfairly burdened in states where state and local taxes and costs of living are higher, such as New York, New Jersey, and California. We remain steadfast in our advocacy for a change so that we may deliver important relief to middle class families in our districts. During a time of record inflation and an unstable economy, there is no better time than now to act. Our constituents deserve nothing less.

When our party presents a bill considering a plethora of tax provisions, our party's leadership should, at a minimum, simultaneously facilitate a debate on a SALT amendment. Bringing the aforementioned bill under suspension would stifle such a debate and suppress the voices of the constituents we represent.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter. We look forward to continuing to work with you to deliver real results for our constituents and the American people.

Sincerely,