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United States Senate  
Minority Leader

FEDERAL TAX LIEN AMENDMENT

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Dear -----:

The volume of mail received on the tax bill was so heavy that only now am I able to reply to the many citizens who wrote me on this important legislation. In all my experience in the Senate I have never encountered such a volume of mail on any one issue in as short a period. Much of the correspondence was helpful but I must admit it has been quite a chore to respond and I do apologize for the delay.

Senator Anderson offered an amendment with respect to federal tax liens on automobiles. The Committee adopted this amendment and it remained a part of the bill, as signed into law. The Committee was convinced that a more equitable type of treatment should be provided in this particular case and I believe the amendment was adopted by a unanimous vote.

When you consider the many interests represented in the tax bill, as well as the varied attitudes of members of the House and Senate, you can understand the difficulty in trying to reach a reasonable and fair bill. I believe however that the tax bill finally agreed to was the best we could contrive under the circumstances. Furthermore, I feel that with a careful reduction in expenditures to accompany this reduction in revenue, we can expect some substantial benefits from the measure.

Sincerely,

Everett McKinley Dirksen