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Congressman Flake Commemorates “Tax Freedom Day” By Calling For Tax Reform

Today is the First Day Americans Start Working for Themselves, Not Government

Washington, D.C. – Arizona Congressman Jeff Flake, who represents the state’s First District, today called on his colleagues in Congress to scrap the income tax and move to a national sales tax. The move comes as Americans observed Tax Freedom Day on Saturday.

Tax Freedom Day is the day when Americans stop working to feed government and start working to provide for their families. Because Tax Freedom Day fell on a Saturday this year, today is the first day Americans are not working for the sake of government.

“Today when Americans go to work, they won’t be working to feed government. They’ll actually be working to put food on their own table,” said Flake. **“Thanks to President Bush’s tax cut last year, Americans have two more days of tax freedom this year. However, we have a long way to go before our country’s tax code begins to resemble anything close to sensible.”**

“Our tax code ought to be fair and uncomplicated. We need to abolish the federal income tax and start moving towards a national sales tax.”

Congressman Flake is a cosponsor of both H.R. 2714 and H.R. 2525 which would, respectively, begin the process of terminating the income tax and implement a national sales tax.

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