



November 17, 2017

The Honorable Mitch McConnell  
Majority Leader  
United States Senate

The Honorable Orrin Hatch  
Chairman  
Senate Committee on Finance

Dear Majority Leader McConnell and Chairman Hatch,

The Coalition for American Insurance commends the United States Senate for recognizing the need to eliminate incentives in the tax code that encourage businesses to move overseas. America can no longer afford the loss of jobs and capital being transferred overseas which is why it is critical to establish a level playing field for the tax treatment of U.S.-based insurers and foreign-based insurers. Specifically, the Coalition is encouraged that the Senate Finance Committee included strong anti-base erosion language that recognizes the long standing deficiencies in the tax code which have promoted inversions of American owned insurance companies and acquisitions by foreign company groups.

The Coalition urges the Senate to avoid pressures to weaken or water-down the inbound minimum tax proposal and instead support amendments to strengthen the foundation laid in the base bill.

Current law incentivizes companies to move their headquarters to low or no tax jurisdictions, while still operating in the U.S., to avoid paying taxes here at home. Not closing this loophole continues the status quo of U.S. taxpayers needlessly subsidizing foreign insurers.

The member companies of the Coalition for American Insurance provide millions of Americans with financial protection from unpredictable risks and pay substantial amounts of federal, state and local taxes. As such, the Coalition stands ready to work with the Committee and Senators to close the loophole and bring tax fairness for U.S.-based insurers, our consumers and employees so foreign-based insurers can no longer avoid paying U.S. taxes.

Sincerely,

**The Coalition for American Insurance**

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Allstate Insurance Company  
American Family Mutual Insurance Company  
American Financial Group, Inc.  
Berkshire Hathaway, Inc.  
Cincinnati Insurance Companies  
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