

Let go of the status quo

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Quote

“The mandate also could be viewed as a constitutional exercise of Congress' power to levy fees in support of the public's "general welfare." It's written into the tax code and enforced with limited tax penalties, not jail terms or property liens. In essence, the insurance obligation is a shared burden, like Social Security or Medicare, but with more services delivered by the private sector.”

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This item argues against the position Act should not have been passed on the topic Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

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