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	News & Digital Stories	Original Op-eds	Syndicated Op-eds	Other Opinion	TOTAL
National	366	15	3	4	388
State	168	4	160	2	334
TOTAL	534	19	163	6	722

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By Steven Rosenfield
May 26, 2017

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Truth-Out: Walmart's \$237 Million Man: How Americans Subsidize Inequality

By Sam Pizzigati
May 24, 2017

At Walmart, suggests Memphis retail worker union president Lonnie Sheppard, that magical "proven talent" just happens to include fleecing taxpayers. Walmart pays its workers so little, Sheppard notes, that huge numbers of them "are forced to rely on public assistance programs like food stamps, Medicaid, and subsidized housing."

In 2014, **Americans for Tax Fairness** has computed, providing that assistance cost American taxpayers \$6.2 billion.

Common Dreams: CBO: Trumpcare Would Strip Coverage From 23 Million, Make It Worse for the Rest

By Diedre Fulton
May 24, 2017

Frank Clemente, executive director of Americans for Tax Fairness, responded to the CBO score by reminding people that ultimately the Trumpcare effort is about tax cuts for the rich and should be seen as a major betrayal of the promises the president made to voters during last year's presidential campaign.

PoliticusUSA: The Effort To Get Trump's Tax Returns Just Got Its First House Republican Supporter

By Jason Easley
May 17, 2017

Frank Clemente, Executive Director, Americans for Tax Fairness said in a statement provided to PoltiicusUSA, "Sooner or later, Republicans in Congress will need to put the nation's needs above a partisan agenda. With President Trump's ties to Russia now a full-blown national security scandal, it's never been more crucial for the public to see what President Trump is hiding in his taxes. We thank Congressman Jones for joining the effort to demand President Trump's taxes, and we hope more of his Republican colleagues will join him."

Tax Notes: Legal Scholars Question Trump Attorneys' Analysis of Russia Ties

By Jonathan Curry and Luca Gattoni-Celli
May 15, 2017

While the letter sheds some additional light on the content of Trump's returns, it appears unlikely to end speculation by Trump's critics about whether his returns conceal suspicious business ties to foreign entities, including Russia.

Americans for Tax Fairness Executive Director Frank Clemente told Tax Analysts in a statement that the letter "is about as transparent as Trump has been with his tax returns" and a "distraction" from the ways Trump may have structured his businesses. "Trump may well be using his cloaked Delaware businesses or other shadow businesses he may have registered in tax havens around the world to maintain extensive financial relationships with Russian oligarchs," Clemente said, insisting the letter does not "substitute for the public's right to see Trump's taxes."

Fund Strategy: Corporate chaos? Fund managers weigh in on Trump tax plan

By Valentina Romano
May 15, 2017

However, according to lobbying group **Americans for Tax Fairness**, a 20 percentage point cut to corporate tax rates alone would add \$2.4tn to the national debt.

Common Dreams: Trump's Tax Returns "More Important Than Ever" Amid Election Probe

By Nadia Prupis
May 11, 2017

TJ Helmstetter, spokesperson for **Americans for Tax Fairness (ATF)**, a campaign to end tax loopholes for corporations and the wealthy, said in response to the interview, "Trump has finally given up the bogus notion that imaginary audits prevent him from releasing his taxes—now he says that he won't release them until after he's out of office. Outrageous."

Yahoo: Live: Reactions to President Trump's firing of FBI Director James Comey

By Yahoo Staff
May 9, 2017

T.J. Helmstetter, a spokesperson for Americans for Tax Fairness, said the firing of Comey made it even more important that Trump release his tax returns: "Donald Trump has now fired three prominent senior Justice Department officials who were connected to investigations into his administration: Sally Yates, Preet Bharara, and James Comey. There has never been a more important time to review Trump's tax returns. Congress has the power to demand to see Trump's taxes. It's time for Paul Ryan to bring the Presidential Tax Transparency Act (H.R. 305) to a vote immediately."

Alternet: The GOP's Latest Health Care Replacement Bill Is Even More Heartless Than First Thought

By Steven Rosenfield
May 4, 2017

An economic analysis by **Americans for Tax Fairness** and Healthcare for America Now, both progressive coalitions, broke down how the Obamacare repeal bill was a massive giveaway to the wealthy, insurers and the drug industry at the expense of people who are now covered or will see premiums skyrocket.

"The GOP plan will deprive 24 million Americans of healthcare coverage and drive up the cost of coverage for millions more, especially older people and people in rural America. At the same time, it will

create tax breaks worth about \$600 billion that will mostly go to health insurance companies, prescription drug manufacturers and the wealthy,” the summary said. It gave the following breakdown.

Investico Weekly Market Review: Can Trump’s tax plan stimulate the economy?

By Kristina Harper
May 2, 2017

Keep in mind that this is just a brief outline of a tax plan. It was a set of bullet points on one page, suggesting that it is just a starting point for what is likely to be heavy negotiations. That makes sense given that a number of organizations — including **Americans for Tax Fairness**, the Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget, the Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center, and the conservative Tax Foundation — all project that this tax plan could result in a loss of approximately \$5 trillion to \$6 trillion — or higher — in tax revenue over the next decade. This of course would come at a time when our national debt is high and many conservative politicians are focused on reducing the deficit.

Bloomberg: Trump’s Tax Plan Could Turn ‘Everyone and Their Dog’ Into an LLC (Syndicated in 20 additional outlets)

by David Kocieniewski
April 28, 2017

“Trump is seeking to dramatically reduce his own tax bill,” said **Frank Clemente**, executive director of **Americans for Tax Fairness**, a left-leaning advocacy group.

Univision: The economic theory (never proven) of the times of Reagan after the tax plan of Trump

By Carlos Chirinos
April 27, 2017

"George W. Bush, who can not be remembered as the president of the jobs, also relied on this idea of trickle down , but his tax cuts aggravated debt. Trump risks becoming even worse, " **Frank Clemente**, executive director of **Americans for Tax Fairness**, a coalition that promotes tax reforms with a liberal outlook , told Univision News.

Public Finance International: Trump's 'reckless' plan to slash taxes will cost trillions, say critics

By Emma Rumney
April 27, 2017

Frank Clemente, executive director of campaign group **Americans for Tax Fairness**, agreed that the "reckless" plan would add trillions to the deficit, which could only be offset with "drastic cuts to essential services and lowering the standard of living for regular American families". "Unacceptable," he continued. "The White House line that 'tax cuts will pay for themselves' is a lie that has been debunked repeatedly, including by the conservative Tax Foundation."

Associated Press: Trump tax plan stands to benefit the man in the White House (Syndicated in 155 additional outlets)

By Josh Boak and Bernard Condon
April 27, 2017

"We should see his tax returns," said **Frank Clemente**, the executive director of **Americans for Tax Fairness** in Washington. "We have no idea what deductions he's taking; whether he's still paying the alternative minimum tax."

The Hill, Op-ed: Demanding transparency and fairness from Trump tax plan

By John Green, Sarah Anderson & **Frank Clemente**
April 27, 2017

On April 15, hundreds of thousands of protesters marched in cities across the country demanding that President Trump release his tax returns.

This modicum of transparency has been an uncontroversial tradition of American politics for decades. But this was only part of what motivated protesters.

Opposing Views: Perez criticizes Trump's tax cut

By Jordan Smith
April 27, 2017

Perez was not the only one disappointed with Trump's tax plan. **Frank Clemente of Americans for Tax Fairness** stated that the changes would add \$2.4 trillion to the national debt.

"So, how would Trump's White House make up the shortfall? By drastic cuts to essential services and lowering the standard of living for regular American families. Unacceptable," said Clemente. "The White House line that 'tax cuts will pay for themselves' is a lie that has been debunked repeatedly, including by

the conservative Tax Foundation. We will fight this tax plan tooth and nail, and we'll be joined by Americans of all political stripes in doing so."

Huffington Post: Trump Tax Plan Would Slash Corporate Tax Rates, Offer Breaks On Overseas Profits

By Amanda Becker and Steve Holland
April 26, 2017
Syndicated from Reuters

"Separately cutting the top tax rate for pass-through businesses, which account for most U.S. companies, could benefit Trump himself, said **Frank Clemente**, executive director of **Americans for Tax Fairness**, a Democratic activist group.

"In trying to slash taxes for pass-through business entities, Trump is seeking to dramatically reduce his own tax bill," he said in a statement.

CBS News: Who are the winners and losers in Trump's tax plan?

By Larry Light
April 26, 2017

"Corporations are already dodging their fair share of taxes at a time of record profits, yet he is trying to give them a massive tax cut," said **Frank Clemente**, executive director of the liberal **Americans for Tax Fairness**.

Big winners: pass-through businesses. The point here is to allow small businesses, as well as professional organizations like medical practices, to get the same treatment as corporations -- with the result being more consumer spending and more jobs. After all, small businesses account for the bulk of job creation. To the president's critics, his plan is a large conflict of interest. "Trump is seeking to dramatically reduce his own tax bill, while at the same time refusing to show the American people what he already pays in taxes," **Americans for Tax Fairness'** Clemente said.

Common Dreams: 'Goldman Sachs Populism': Trump Tax Plan Benefits Ultra-Wealthy—Like Him

By Dierde Fulton
April 26, 2017

Responding to Wednesday's announcement, **Americans for Tax Fairness** was just one voice in a chorus vowing to "fight this tax plan tooth and nail."

Reuters: Trump tax plan will sharply slash corporate tax rates

By Amanda Becker and Steve Holland
April 25, 2017

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POLITICO: Instead of launching tax reform, Trump could ground it

By Ben White & Nancy Cook
April 25, 2017

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Tax Analysts: White House Officials Remain Tight-Lipped on Tax Plan Details

By Jonathan Curry
April 25, 2017

In a statement, **Americans for Tax Fairness Executive Director Frank Clemente** said Trump's decision to seek a 15 percent corporate tax rate is evidence that he has "abandoned his promise to end a rigged system in Washington."

New York Times: Trump's Tax Plan: Low Rate for Corporations, and for Companies Like His

By Julie Hirschfeld Davis, Alan Rappeport, Kate Kelly and Rachel Abrams
April 25, 2017

"Yesterday, we learned President Trump wants to slash the corporate tax rate, even though corporations already dodge most of their tax responsibilities while making record profits," said **Frank Clemente, executive director of the liberal Americans for Tax Fairness**. "Today, we find out it's even worse. In trying to slash taxes for 'pass through' business entities, Trump is seeking to dramatically reduce his own tax bill."

U.S. News: Trump to Push 15 Percent Corporate Tax Rate

By Andrew Soergel
April 24, 2017

If Trump were on our side, he'd make the wealthy and big corporations pay their fair share of taxes so that the economy could work for all of us, not just the wealthy few," **Frank Clemente, executive director of the left-leaning advocacy group Americans for Tax Fairness**, said in a statement Monday.

CBS News: Trump takes aim at Obama's ban on "tax inversions"

By Larry Light
April 21, 2017

But to **Frank Clemente, executive director of the liberal Americans for Tax Fairness**, permitting tax inversions again will bring Americans very few boons. He termed it "ironic" that Mr. Trump campaigned for keeping jobs on American soil, "but he also wants to let companies ship them overseas" to get a tax break.

POLITICO Pro: Trump's regulation order rekindles inversion debate

By [Aaron Lorenzo](#)
04/21/17

Foes of the debt-equity recharacterization should sue the administration in court if they want redress, said **Frank Clemente, executive director of Americans for Tax Fairness**. Trump's position conflicts with supporters who voted him into office, he added.

Ultimately, tax reform legislation should obviate the need for these rules, Clemente said.

Common Dreams: Trump's Five Worst Tax Secrets, Revealed

By Richard Eskow
April 17, 2017

Trump's third tax secret? The attack on the Affordable Care Act is just the start of tax clawbacks. His tax plan represents a massive tax giveaway to his billionaire friends and associates, and to corporations that are also paying far less than their official tax rate. **Americans for Tax Fairness** examine the injustice behind Trump's tax plan, including the fact that it would raise taxes on roughly 9 million families while lowering the top tax rate even more.

Newsmax: Marches Set Nationwide to Protest Trump Tax Returns

By Wanda Caruthers
April 16, 2017

"We're seeing this as the beginning of a push against Republican and Trump tax plans," said **Americans for Tax Fairness Executive Director Frank Clemente**, whose group is a partner in the march.

Hi-Tech Chronicle: Activists Marking Tax Day By Demanding Trump Release Taxes

By Hi-Tech Chronicle
April 16, 2017

"Without seeing his taxes we'll never really know who he's working for", said Dinkin, who expects the marches to draw at least 100,000 protesters. Tax Day marches are scheduled in three North Carolina cities to protest President Donald Trump refusing to release his tax returns. "The President's refusal to release his tax returns is bad in several ways", Schumer responded. For four decades, presidents and major party nominees have released some of their tax returns, with the exception of Gerald Ford. Jennifer Taub sparked the effort following her participation in Boston's women's march the day after Trump's inauguration.

Huffington Post: Nationwide Tax Day Marches Demand Donald Trump Release His Tax Returns

By Daniel Marans
April 15, 2017

The progressive organizations and labor unions sponsoring the march include Indivisible, **Americans for Tax Fairness**, MoveOn.org, Public Citizen, Demos, Credo, the Working Families Party, the National Women's Law Center and the American Federation of Teachers.

Common Dreams: Tax Day Marchers Want to Know: What Is Trump Hiding?

By Peter Dreier
April 14, 2017

A broad coalition of activists -- which includes the leaders of the January women's marches that galvanized five million people in cities across the country, MoveOn.org, the American Federation of Teachers, the Indivisible Project (which has inspired more than 7,000 local groups to organize, including protests at local town halls sponsored by members of Congress), **Americans for Tax Fairness**, the Center for Popular Democracy (a network of local community organizing groups), and Our Revolution (the organization built from Bernie Sanders's presidential campaign) -- are sponsoring the Tax Day events. In Washington, D.C. they intend to walk from the U.S. Capitol to the White House, passing both Trump's hotel and the IRS building.

The Hill: Nationwide marches set to protest Trump tax returns

By Naomi Jagoda
April 14, 2017

Tens of thousands of people are expected to attend rallies on Saturday that are aimed at pressuring President Trump to release his tax returns.

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Investor's Business Daily: Myth Busted: Taxpayers Are Not Subsidizing Wal-Mart's Low Wages

April 13, 2017

Sheppard goes on to write that "According to a 2014 report by **Americans for Tax Fairness**, Wal-Mart receives an estimated \$6.2 billion in subsidies every year, primarily from the Federal Government." If Wal-Mart would only pay its workers more, the argument goes, taxpayers would save all this money.

Tom Udall: As Tax Day Approaches, Udall to Introduce Bill to Simplify Tax Filing

By Office of Tom Udall
April 12, 2017

Originally introduced in the 114th Congress, The Tax Filing Simplification Act has been endorsed by over 40 law professors and economists, and is endorsed by the National Consumer Law Center on behalf of its low-income clients, Americans for Financial Reform, the Institute for Taxation and Economic Policy, **Americans for Tax Fairness**, and the Hispanic Federation.

Investment News: Free online tax filing proposed in Senate

By Investment News
April 12, 2017

The bill has been endorsed by over 40 law professors and economists, and is endorsed by the National Consumer Law Center on behalf of its low-income clients, Americans for Financial Reform, the Institute for Taxation and Economic Policy, **Americans for Tax Fairness**, and the Hispanic Federation, according to a release from Sen. Elizabeth Warren, one of the bill's 11` democratic sponsors.

Huffington Post: Op-ed: Top 3 Reasons Trump Must Release His Tax Returns

By **Frank Clemente, Americans for Tax Fairness**
April 10, 2017

President Trump claims ordinary people “don’t care at all” that he’s the first chief executive in more than 40 years not to release his tax returns. But a January Washington Post-ABC News poll found three quarters (74%) of Americans say Trump should release his tax returns. That includes a majority (53%) of Republicans.

A White House petition demanding Trump release his tax returns broke a record for signatures within six days of being posted. It has since collected more than one million signatures.

This broad-based public demand makes sense. There are at least three important questions that can only be answered by the release of President Trump’s tax returns.

Common Dreams: April 15: National Protests on Tax Day Demand Trump Release His Tax Returns

By National Working Families Party
April 10, 2017

Today, the National Working Families Party announced their participation in the Tax Day March. President Trump’s financial ties to Russia are causing growing questions for both Democrats and Republicans. As a result, thousands of people plan to gather in Washington, D.C., on Saturday, April 15, 2017, at 11 a.m. The Tax March was an idea that started on Twitter, but has gained momentum on and offline, with over 135 marches planned in cities across the country. A full list of Tax Day marches can be found here: <http://taxmarch.org/>.

WFP will join **Americans for Tax Fairness**, American Federation of Teachers, Center for Popular Democracy, Indivisible Project, MoveOn.org, Our Revolution, Philadelphia Jobs with Justice, and nearly 50 other organizations to organize the April 15 events.

Axios: The left's next Tea Party

By Jonathan Swan

April 9, 2017

- More than 60 groups will participate, including MoveOn.org, CREW, Communications Workers of America, American Federation of Teachers, **Americans for Tax Fairness**, Indivisible, the Sunlight Foundation, and Our Revolution (the group that spun off from Bernie Sanders' campaign.)
 - Organizers are planning more than 100 marches around the country. The Tax March in D.C. will begin with a rally outside the Capitol, before proceeding past the Trump International Hotel and the IRS building.
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USA Today: The Walmart Tax Every American Taxpayer Pays (Column)

By Lonnie Shephard

April 8, 2017

According to a 2014 report by **Americans for Tax Fairness**, Walmart receives an estimated \$6.2 billion in subsidies every year, primarily from the Federal Government.

The reason? The world's largest retailer, infamous for its poor working conditions and unfair treatment of employees, pays its workers so little that thousands of Walmart employees are forced to rely on public assistance programs like food stamps, Medicaid and subsidized housing. Programs funded by American taxpayers.

Accounting Today: Democrats introduce bills to stem corporate tax havens

By Michael Cohn

April 5, 2017

Both bills have been endorsed by the Financial Accountability and Corporate Transparency (FACT) Coalition, **Americans for Tax Fairness**, Fair Share, the Institute on Taxation and Economic Policy, the Main Street Alliance, Oxfam America, Public Citizen, U.S. PIRG, and American Sustainable Business Council.

The Hill: Americans abroad lobby for tax changes

By Naomi Jagoda

April 5, 2017

Frank Clemente, executive director of the liberal-leaning **Americans for Tax Fairness**, said his group feels "very strongly about transparency" and would push back against efforts to repeal FATCA.

Common Dreams: Resolution to Get Trump's Taxes from Steven Mnuchin Faces Vote Tuesday

By Nadia Prupis
March 28, 2017

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The Hill: Protesters plan 'Tax March' on Washington demanding Trump's tax returns

By Brooke Seipel
March 28, 2017

Several organizations are partnering to create the march, including Indivisible, Public Citizen, Stand Up America and **Americans for Tax Fairness**.

Voice of America: Ending Tax Avoidance An Alternative to Federal Funding Cuts

By Cecily Hilleary
March 16, 2017

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Marketplace: What it might mean if Trump succeeds in cutting the business tax rate

By Mitchell Hartman

March 16, 2017

ATF's Frank Clemente was interviewed by American Public Media's "Marketplace" program to discuss President Trump's proposal to cut the corporate tax rate. The interview appeared on nearly 1,000 radio stations across the country.

POLITICO: Five things to know about Trump's leaked tax return

By Brian Faler

March 15, 2017

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NPR: In 2005, Trump Was Hit With A Tax That He Now Wants To Abolish (Syndicated in 89 additional outlets)

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CBS News: A Trump tax return revealed -- here's what accountants think of it

By Larry Light
March 15, 2017

Frank Clemente, executive director of **Americans for Tax Fairness**, which favors taxing the wealthy more, pointed out that Mr. Trump derives his income from more than 500 business entities, each with its own income stream and tax filing. "It's in those filings that you would see names and sources of income," he said. "The tax return that we're looking at, we're not going to see that -- those are all summaries and rollups of what's in the filing of individual entities."

Office of Senator Bernie Sanders: Sanders, Schatz, Schakowsky Introduce Bill to Prevent Corporate Tax Dodging

March 9, 2017

The legislation is supported by the AFL-CIO, Public Citizen, **Americans for Tax Fairness**, U.S. Public Interest Research Group, the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), the Institute on Taxation and Economic Policy and several other organizations throughout the country.

Common Dreams: Group Slams Report of GOP Health Plan to Tax Workers While Rich Get Richer

By Nadia Prupis
March 6, 2017

Americans for Tax Fairness (ATF)—a coalition of hundreds of organizations including the AFL-CIO, the Leadership Conference on Human and Civil Rights, Main Street Alliance, National Council of La Raza, SEIU, and the Working Families Party—issued the statement in response to reporting last Thursday that the repeal plan would impose \$200 billion in new taxes on middle-class workers by taxing their health benefits for the first time ever.

"House Republicans want to tax workers' healthcare benefits rather than continue to require the

wealthiest Americans and big healthcare corporations to help finance health care for 20 million people now getting covered under the ACA. If true, the GOP healthcare repeal plan means the rich will get richer, millions will lose their healthcare, and workers will pick up the tab," said **ATF executive director Frank Clemente**.

Common Dreams: House Republican ACA Repeal Plan Replaces Taxes on Rich and Corporations with Taxes on Middle-Class Workers

March 6, 2017

Common Dreams printed **ATF's** press release on ACA repeal.

The Nation: Opinion: Democrats Can't Be Distracted By Trump's Russian Circus

By Robert L. Borosage

March 1, 2017

"Its Time to Investigate Trump's Kremlin Klan," wrote Representative Maxine Waters in a dear colleague letter. The **Americans for Tax Fairness Action Fund** has collected 450,000 signatures demanding the Congress force the release of Trump's tax returns to investigate for Russian connections. Rep. Jerry Nadler has filed a resolution for an impeachment proceeding. Another group seeks funds to support effigies of Trump as "Putin's puppet."

Obviously, Russian interference in the election merits investigation. Prior collusion would constitute possible grounds for impeachment. Secret financial dealings or perverse stunts in Russia that could compromise the president need to be exposed.

Common Dreams: Column: Will Trump's Tax Records Be the Next Pentagon Papers?

By Peter Dreier

February 28, 2017

A broad coalition of activists—which so far includes the leaders of the January women's marches that galvanized five million people in cities across the country, MoveOn.org, the American Federation of Teachers, the Indivisible Project (which has inspired more than 7,000 local groups to organize, including protests at local town halls sponsored by members of Congress), **Americans for Tax Fairness**, the Center for Popular Democracy (a network of local community organizing groups), and Our Revolution (the organization built from Bernie Sanders's presidential campaign)—are planning a massive Tax March on April 15 to demand that Trump release his tax returns. They intend to walk from the U.S. Capitol to the White House, passing both Trump's hotel and the IRS building. They also expect to organize marches in more than 60 cities across the country.

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Morning Consult: Executive Lobbying War Breaks Out Over Border Tax Proposal

By Ryan Rainey
February 21, 2017

“We’ve been sort of content to let corporate America fight this one out,” said **Frank Clemente, the executive director of Americans for Tax Fairness**.

Daily Caller: Burger King Spends \$1.8 Billion Eating Up The Fried Chicken Business

By Thomas Phippen
February 21, 2017

The left-leaning **Americans for Tax Fairness** said Burger King was able to save the \$1.2 billion in taxes over a five year period by re-incorporating in Canada, which has a 26 percent corporate tax rate, compared to the U.S.’s 33 percent rate.

POLITICO: Democrats plan Tax Day anti-Trump protests

By Gabriel Debenedetti
February 15, 2017

Ever since millions of demonstrators hit the streets the day after Trump’s inauguration — and then protests erupted at airports the following weekend in response to the administration’s executive order restricting travel — party leaders have sought to turn the energy into sustained pressure on the White House. Other groups helping organize the April 15 protest include the Indivisible Project, **Americans for Tax Fairness** and the Center for Popular Democracy.

BuzzFeed News: Progressives Want Tax Day To Be The Next Women's March Protest

By Ruby Cramer
February 15, 2017

A coalition of liberal groups is organizing the march, including Bernie Sanders' Our Revolution, MoveOn.org, the Indivisible Project, **Americans for Tax Fairness**, the Center for Popular Democracy, and the American Federation of Teachers.

Leftopia: Trump's Infrastructure "Plan" is Another Tax Giveaway for the Rich

January 28, 2017

Americans for Tax Fairness contrasts the Democrats' plan with Trump's, in ATF Applauds Senate Democrats' Infrastructure Plan Funded by Closing Tax Loopholes,

"This ambitious and doable plan by Senate Democrats stands in sharp contrast to the phony infrastructure proposal put forward by President Trump. That plan is a massive tax giveaway to Wall Street investors. It is not a serious plan to repair our crumbling infrastructure.

"Trump wants to give big tax credits to Wall Street investors to encourage them to build infrastructure projects that generate a steady stream of toll or other user-fee revenue. Charging expensive tolls and user fees to earn big profits for Wall Street investors just hurts the pocketbooks of average taxpayers. It also ensures projects will be developed where they can generate the most profits for investors, not where they are most needed.

"It would be less expensive for all taxpayers if corporations and the wealthy were made to pay their fair share of taxes, with the revenue paying for direct investment in new roads, bridges and water systems, as Senate Democrats have proposed."

Pharmacy Choice: Op-ed: Abolishing Obamacare rewards wealthy, punishes working families

By **Frank Clemente** & Ron Pollack
January 25, 2017
Syndicated by American Forum

Otherworld's: Op-ed: Trump's First Test on Taxes

By Chuck Collins
January 25, 2017

Our first billionaire president has nominated a cabinet that includes two billionaires and at least ten multi-millionaires, whose combined net worth is estimated at over \$13 billion. As a group, they're part of the tiny segment of U.S. society that will personally benefit from such targeted tax cuts for the wealthy.

Under the GOP plan, Mnuchin's taxes would be cut by \$3.3 million a year, according to an analysis by **Americans for Tax Fairness**. And his heirs would get an extra \$160 million if the estate tax is abolished.

Common Dreams: Most Trump Voters Didn't Vote to Make Richest Richer, But GOP Congress Is About To

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Huffington Post: Op-ed: Wrong Address: Trump's Inaugural Misdirects Blame for Workers' Woes (Away from Him)

By Frank Clemente
January 24, 2017

In his inaugural address, Donald Trump correctly reported a crime—the ongoing rip-off of America's working families—but misidentified the culprits. That's not surprising, since he's one of them and plans to accelerate the theft now that he's in power.

Hard Asset Protection: Blog: Many of Big Pharma's overpriced medications developed with taxpayer-funded research

By Vicki Batts, Natural News
January 24, 2017

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Common Dreams: Trump's Proposed Treasury Secretary Could Get \$3.3 Million Tax Cut Annually from Trump Tax Plan

January 19, 2017

Americans for Tax Fairness estimates that Steven T. Mnuchin, President-elect Donald Trump's nominee for U.S. Treasury Secretary, could slash his personal tax bill by up to roughly \$3.3 million a year should Trump's tax plan become law. He would save similar amounts if House Speaker Paul Ryan's tax plan were enacted. Repeal of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) alone could cut Mnuchin's taxes by up to about \$500,000 a year by eliminating two Medicare taxes on high-income filers.

'Common Dreams: Government Sachs': Protesters Dressed as Swamp Creatures Launch Sit-In at Goldman HQ

By Nina Knight

January 18, 2017

Meanwhile, on Wednesday a new analysis from **Americans for Tax Fairness**, a coalition of groups fighting for tax reform, shows Mnuchin stands to personally see an annual tax cut as high as \$3.3 million under Trump's tax plan.

"Steven Mnuchin has stated that under Trump's tax plan '[t]here will be no absolute tax cut for the upper class,'" said **Frank Clemente**, executive director of **Americans for Tax Fairness**, in a statement. "But that's at complete odds with the tax plans proposed by candidate Trump and House Speaker Paul Ryan. At his confirmation hearing, Mnuchin should be grilled about how as treasury secretary he would fix those plans so that they meet his test. Given how much Mnuchin stands to personally gain from these tax plans, the public may view Mnuchin's confirmation as treasury secretary as akin to having the bank robber guard the bank."

TaxProf Blog: Tax Policy In The Trump Administration

By Paul Caron

January 15, 2017

The Tax Prof Blog linked to the USA Today op-ed written by **Frank Clemente** and Families USA's Ron Pollack, [Obamacare Repeal Helps Rich, Hurts Poor.](#)

Huffington Post: Rex Tillerson Says Oil Companies Don't Take Handouts. Exxon Mobil Gets \$1 Billion A Year.

By Alexander C. Kaufman
January 12, 2017

“These guys get tax handouts left and right,” Ron Eckstein, communications director for the nonprofit **Americans for Tax Fairness**, told HuffPost. “[Tillerson] can categorize them as fossil-fuel or manufacturing or business, but Exxon has access to deductions that small businesses and regular families would never get. It’s indisputable.”

USA Today: Op-ed: How Obamacare repeal helps rich, hurts poor

By **Frank Clemente** and Ron Pollack
January 11, 2017

Republican plans to repeal the Affordable Care Act (Obamacare) threaten the health care of 30 million Americans and would erode some rare progress made recently to reverse America’s growing economic inequality.

By taxing rich households and big corporations to subsidize health care for working families, the ACA does what good public policy should: level the playing field to give everyone a shot, not just those at the top. Abolishing the ACA would only further tilt the field in favor of the wealthy and well-connected.

Down with Tyranny: Blog: Much of the \$2.5 Trillion in Corporate “Overseas Cash” Is Already in the U.S.

By Gaius Publius
December 15, 2016

For example, we find this, the possibility of a huge tax giveaway on "offshore profits" to Silicon Valley high-tech companies, via **Americans for Tax Fairness** (ATF).

New York Times: Op-Ed: Corporate Welfare Won't Create Jobs

By **Frank Clemente**
December 12, 2016

The recent deal to keep some 800 workers employed at a Carrier plant in Indiana rather than see those jobs shipped to Mexico proved great news for the workers and a public relations bonanza for President-elect Donald J. Trump.

What it didn’t prove — even though the incoming president used the occasion to promote his proposal

for a huge tax giveaway to corporations — is that cutting corporate taxes will save or create many American jobs. It won't.

Humanosphere: Income inequality: How can the business sector close the gap?

By Amanda Pain
December 8, 2016

When President-elect Donald Trump was accused of not paying federal income taxes, he responded by saying, "That makes me smart." It's a testament to the structural problem that exists globally today: vast inequality between rich and poor.

Corporate taxes are the third-highest revenue source for governments, but corporations continue to find ways to avoid paying taxes. According to **Americans for Tax Fairness**, corporate taxes have dropped from 32 percent of federal tax revenue in 1952 to 10 percent in 2013.

Forbes: Family Business Owners Decry Estate Tax Valuation Rules At Treasury Hearings

By Ashlea Ebeling
December 2, 2016

Family business owners, along with estate lawyers, CPAs, and appraisers, piled into an Internal Revenue Service auditorium yesterday to pan proposed Treasury Department rules they say will wreak havoc on their legacy plans. The proposed rules, known as the 2704 regs, would curb valuation discounts and mean increased estate taxes on the deaths of owners of family businesses.

Just one of the 36 people who testified, **Frank Clemente**, of **Americans for Tax Fairness**, whose testimony is here, spoke in favor of the proposed rules, citing abuses and urged that the rules be finalized.

Truthout: Op-ed: The Six Worst Things About Trump's Tax Plan

By **Frank Clemente**
November 28, 2016

On the campaign trail, Donald Trump promised the biggest tax cuts since the Reagan era and proposed reforms that would drastically increase our country's already extreme levels of inequality. Now the Republican-controlled Congress is considering ramming through tax reforms in the first half of 2017, using a "fast-pass" process called reconciliation that requires just 51 votes in the senate. If Trump's plan becomes the blueprint for this reform, these would be the six worst features.

Huffington Post: (Op-ed) Trump's Infrastructure Plan Offers Private Gain, Public Pain

By Frank Clemente

November 23, 2016

Donald Trump promised he would drain the swamp in Washington, but his proposal to repair our crumbling infrastructure will do anything but that. It's the same kind of special interest giveaway voters revolted against on Election Day.

He's peddling a self-serving approach that is nothing more than a huge tax giveaway to rich developers and investors like himself. On top of that, the public won't even own the roads and bridges that get built. They'll stay in the hands of private developers - who will be able to charge tolls to drivers who already paid for these roads with a tax giveaway to the developers.

Bloomberg: Interest Groups See Path to Estate Tax Repeal With Trump

By Allyson Versprille

November 9, 2016

Republican Donald Trump's election signals good things for people who want to kill the federal estate tax.

Frank Clemente, executive director of the liberal-leaning advocacy group **Americans for Tax Fairness**, said a Trump presidency really shifts the focus for his group on tax issues. Anticipating a Hillary Clinton win, "we were gearing up for a big fight around corporate tax issues. I think this change in the election means everything is in danger from our point of view, including the estate tax," he said Nov. 9. "I didn't think we'd see action on the estate tax next year," he added.

Morning Consult: Tax Group Says Qualcomm Could Dodge \$10 Billion in U.S. Taxes With NXP Purchase

By Brendan Bordelon

November 2, 2016

San Diego-based Qualcomm Inc. could avoid more than \$10 billion in U.S. taxes if it finalizes a planned \$47 billion purchase of Dutch company NXP Semiconductors N.V., according to **Americans for Tax Fairness**.

The advocacy group said in a statement Wednesday that the ability of corporations to indefinitely defer the payment of taxes on foreign profits means Qualcomm can use offshore funds to purchase NXP. By

spending the money rather than repatriating it, the semiconductor firm could avoid having to pay the \$10.2 billion in federal taxes a Citizens for Tax Justice report estimates Qualcomm owes on approximately \$29 billion in overseas profits.

New York Times: 'The Worst Tax Dodgers' (Letter to the Editor)

By Frank Clemente

October 28, 2016

Bravo to David Leonhardt for "Companies Avoiding Taxes" (column, Oct. 18). Someone has finally gotten beyond the corporate spin to accurately describe some of the problems with our corporate tax system. The correct issue is not that American multinational companies are overtaxed; it is that they take advantage of a tax code filled with loopholes that give them unfair advantages over American domestic and Main Street businesses paying their fair share of taxes.

Washington Post: Op-Ed: The United States should fight against tax dodgers, not for them

By Carl Levin

October 24, 2016

Front and center in the presidential campaign is tax avoidance by very wealthy individuals such as Donald Trump and highly profitable corporations such as Apple.

Use of unjustified tax loopholes by individuals and tax havens by multinational corporations has been tolerated for too long. Trump's tax-avoidance schemes will remain at least partially hidden as long as he gets away with keeping his tax returns secret. But Apple's tax gimmicks are well known.

Bloomberg: Thousands of Subsidiaries Go Missing From Bank SEC Filings

By Llewellyn Hinkes-Jones

October 24, 2016

Ron Eckstein, communication director with **Americans for Tax Fairness**, emphasized the importance of disclosure in SEC forms. "It's extremely hard to find and connect the dots of corporate money without disclosure; it's like finding a needle in a haystack," he told Bloomberg BNA.

Roll Call: Congress and a Tax Overhaul: Lots of Talk, Little Action

By Stephanie Akin
October 18, 2016

The response from Capitol Hill was a “huge disappointment,” said **Frank Clemente**, executive director of **Americans for Tax Fairness**, a liberal advocacy group.

“There aren’t enough members of Congress championing the interest of average taxpayers here,” he said. “Too many of them are representing the wealthy and big corporations in their aspirations about the tax system. It’s very challenging. Money talks on the Hill.”

Truthout: Neoliberalism's Decades-Long Attack on Public Universities

By Gus Bagakis
October 15, 2016

Fifty-five years ago, as a white working-class veteran, I was able to graduate from the University of California without debt. I was the first in my family to do so. Entrance was easy: there was room and I was in the top 10 percent of my high school class. I paid a small service fee, but no tuition, since my education was free. My living expenses were covered by my part-time job, my G.I. benefits and cheap room and board at my parents' house. After graduation, I had many job prospects. The future looked good.

In an **Americans for Tax Fairness** fact sheet on corporate tax rates, we can see that: The corporate share of federal tax revenue has dropped by two-thirds in 60 years. General Electric, Boeing, Verizon and 23 other profitable Fortune 500 firms paid no federal income taxes.

US corporations dodge \$90 billion a year in income taxes.
US corporations officially hold \$2.1 trillion in profits offshore.

The Hill: Corporations Dodge \$718 Billion in U.S. Taxes Through Offshore Tax Havens (Op-Ed)

By Matthew Gardner
October 13, 2016
Syndicated by American Forum

European regulators' recent finding that Apple avoided billions of dollars in taxes by stashing its profits in Ireland, a known tax haven, put the tech giant in an unwelcome spotlight. But Apple's tax dodging is just the tip of a huge iceberg of offshore corporate tax avoidance.

POLITICO Morning Tax : An Estate Tax Retort

By Bernie Becker
October 6, 2016

Rep. Kristi Noem of South Dakota, a GOP tax writer in the House, recently wrote an op-ed for Fox News detailing how hard the estate tax hit her family after the death of her father. Now, **Americans for Tax Fairness** is taking aim at Noem for what it says are misleading statements about Clinton's estate tax plan, and noting that the estate tax exemption was \$600,000 when Noem's father died. (It's at least \$5.45 million now.) "It's important to note that it has not been shown that a single family farm has ever been lost as a result of the estate tax," said the group's **Executive Director Frank Clemente**.

Yahoo Finance: Are US Companies Avoiding Over \$700 Billion in Taxes on Overseas Profits?

October 4, 2016

It is no secret at all that major U.S. companies keep billions of dollars locked up overseas. What is debated often is how much this money should be taxed, or if it should be taxed, here in the United States. Whether you call this tax avoidance or you consider it good business may depend on your politics or your position in the business world. The numbers that a report from the U.S. Public Interest Research Group show are massive, showing that just 58 of the Fortune 500 companies would owe \$212 billion in additional federal taxes if profits were not officially booked offshore.

Wal-Mart, with the report citing **Americans for Tax Fairness**, is shown to operate as many as 75 tax haven subsidiaries. Its offshore profit has grown from \$8.7 billion in 2006 to \$26.1 billion in 2015.

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Tax Notes: Leaked Tax Returns Raise Questions About Trump's Tax Rate, NOLs

By Jonathan Curry
October 4, 2016

Three pages of Donald Trump's state tax returns from 1995 obtained and released by The New York Times reveal he reported a \$916 million loss for his federal adjusted gross income, leading to speculation about the Republican presidential nominee's real estate dealings and the possibility that he could have used net operating losses to significantly reduce or eliminate his income tax liability in many subsequent years.

Frank Clemente of **Americans for Tax Fairness** also acknowledged that Trump might have a reasonable reason for claiming the losses and that the "fundamental fault" for enabling wealthy individuals to avoid paying income taxes ultimately lies with Congress. But while Trump "claims that he's the guy to fix the loophole-ridden tax code we have . . . his tax plan would do nothing to erase the loopholes that he's taken advantage of," Clemente said.

Washington Post: Want your presidential candidates to release their taxes? There's a bill for that.

By Amber Phillips
October 3, 2016

Until now, there's never really been a need for a law to require presidential candidates to release their tax returns: For the past four decades, every president and/or major party nominee has released their returns on his or her own. It's traditional. It's expected.

Congress passed the law requiring personal financial disclosures in 1978, after the Watergate scandal. And it was the last major piece of legislation dealing with presidential candidates' personal finances, according to **Americans for Tax Fairness**, which supports Wyden's bill.

Talk Media News: Earmarks make Capitol Hill return

By Edward Zuckerman
October 2, 2016

U.S. corporations that are publicly held and therefore subject to regulation by the Securities and Exchange Commission should be required to divulge the amount of federal taxes they owe on money that has been deposited in overseas accounts, **Americans for Tax Fairness** said. The tax reform group submitted its recommendation in comments to the Financial Accounting Standards Board which is considering new rules for disclosing income taxes. ATF said a revised disclosure rule should be applied on a country-by-country basis

The Hill: War over the estate tax returns

By Naomi Jagoda
October 1, 2016

Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump have been attacking each other over their largely divergent proposals on the estate tax. And the Treasury Department proposed rules in August relating to the tax are drawing criticism from Republican lawmakers and business groups.

Frank Clemente, executive director of the liberal-leaning **Americans for Tax Fairness**, said that taxing estates might be “the singular way” to address the wealth gap between the top 1 percent and the rest of Americans.

The Hill: Groups urge accounting board to require more tax disclosures

By Naomi Jagoda
September 30, 2016

In a separate letter, the liberal **Americans for Tax Fairness** (ATF) also asked the FASB to require country-by-country reporting, and additionally asked that companies be required to disclose "the aggregate amount they would owe in U.S. taxes should they repatriate their offshore earnings."

POLITICO Morning Tax: Americans for Tax Fairness urges FASB to take on country-by-country reporting

By Bernie Becker
September 30, 2016

POLITICO Morning Tax reported on **ATF's** comment letter to FASB on country-by-country reporting.

POLITICO Morning Money: Transition mind-meld

By Ben White
September 30, 2016

Per **Americans for Tax Fairness** communications director Ron Eckstein: “Picking the Facebook COO to lead Treasury would be a slap in the face to progressives working on corporate tax issues.”

Huffington Post: Op-ed: 5 Tax Questions We Need Answered In Tonight's Presidential Debate

By Frank Clemente
September 26, 2016

One of the biggest divides between Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump is over taxes. It's not limited to Trump's refusal — in defiance of 40 years of bipartisan practice — to release any of his own tax returns while she's released her tax returns since 1977.

There are \$7.5 trillion worth of sharp policy distinctions between them as well. Clinton's tax plan would raise an additional \$1.7 trillion over the next 10 years from the wealthy and big corporations, money that would be used to make new investments to create an economy that works for all. Trump's tax plan would lose nearly \$6 trillion; most of the tax breaks he proposes would benefit the wealthy and big corporations.

CBS News: U.S. corporations earn record high profits, pay record low taxes

By Jonathan Berr
September 21, 2016

The Economic Policy Institute (EPI) and **Americans for Tax Fairness** argue that U.S. corporate profits are at record highs while business tax revenue as a share of GDP is at record lows. Businesses can take advantage of loopholes to lower their bills to Uncle Sam, including one that enables them to indefinitely postpone the payment of taxes on profits earned overseas. The think tanks estimate that this strategy costs the U.S. Treasury about \$126 billion a year in lost revenue.

"The facts show that corporate America is not overtaxed and, in fact, goes to extraordinary lengths to avoid paying what they owe," said **Frank Clemente**, executive director of **Americans for Tax Fairness**, in a news release. "We hope this book of data can help change the false narrative on taxes peddled by wealthy corporations and their allies in Washington."

CNBC: Apple tax bill just the tip of a \$2.4 trillion iceberg

By John W. Schoen
September 21, 2016

The estimated total cash held offshore rose by nearly \$200 billion last year, to some \$2.4 trillion, according to an analysis from the Economic Policy Institute and an affiliated group, **Americans for Tax Fairness**.

Young Herald: Denis O'Brien: European Commission tax ruling 'picked on' Apple

By Elliot Roberts
September 21, 2016

Still, the investigation could help Margrethe Vestager, Europe's competition commissioner, rebut allegations of bias as she begins her meetings in the United States on Monday. The FT said the Commission could ask McDonald's to repay up to \$500 million in taxes to Luxembourg.

According to **Americans for Tax Fairness**, after an exhaustive investigation, the European Commission found that Ireland's tax arrangements with Apple are illegal, amounting to "state aid", and that through various forms of tax avoidance, Apple owes back taxes to Ireland of up to \$14.5 billion on its European profits.

Tax Justice Network: Report: new data disproves US corporations' false narrative on taxes

September 20, 2016

From **Americans for Tax Fairness**, a major new report about corporate taxes in the United States. It's called Corporate Tax Chartbook: How Corporations Rig the Rules to Dodge the Taxes They Owe, and it contains many useful facts, such as this:

Corporate profits are way up, and corporate taxes are way down. In 1952, corporate profits were 5.5 percent of the economy, and corporate taxes were 5.9 percent. Today, corporate profits are 8.5 percent of the economy, and corporate taxes are just 1.9 percent of GDP.

Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen : Blog: Lost corporate taxes could fund needed infrastructure

September 19, 2016

Elected officials, both Democrats and Republicans, increasingly view infrastructure investment as an essential step to creating jobs and bolstering the U.S. economy. That's a good thing.

A new report by the Economic Policy Institute and **Americans for Tax Fairness** found that about 55 percent of American corporate offshore profits are held in tax-haven countries. As a result, corporations only contribute \$1 out of every \$9 in federal revenue, down from \$1 out of every \$3 at its peak.

Yahoo Finance: Apple's EU tax nemesis takes aim at other U.S. companies' offshore profits

By John W. Schoen
September 19, 2016

The estimated total cash held offshore rose by nearly \$200 billion last year, to some \$2.4 trillion, according to an analysis from the Economic Policy Institute and an affiliated group, **Americans for Tax Fairness**.

POLITICO Morning Tax: First Look

By Bernie Becker
September 19, 2016

Americans for Tax Fairness and the Economic Policy Institute will be out with a new release today taking on deferral, what it calls “one of the most damaging loopholes in the U.S. corporate tax code.” The groups maintain that deferral costs the Treasury about \$1.3 trillion over a decade. (There are plenty of business-friendly folks who also want to end deferral — but in a way that would allow corporations to owe less on their offshore earnings.)

The Huffington Post: Trump's Child Care Proposal Is Bad And Unfunded

By Ethan Rome
September 14, 2016

The list of problems with Republican presidential nominee Donald Trump's latest child care proposal is long. It caters to the rich, does little to help working families, does nothing to help the poorest parents, and includes an ill-conceived maternity leave scheme that actually hurts women who work outside the home.

U.S. multinational corporations have \$2.4 trillion in profits offshore on which they owe \$700 billion in U.S. taxes if taxed at the 35% rate, less foreign taxes paid. That's nearly as much as the federal government spent for economic recovery after the Great Recession.

According to **Americans for Tax Fairness**, The \$2.4 trillion held offshore is highly concentrated among a small number of huge U.S. multinational corporations. Nearly 40% of the profits belong to just 10 companies. And just 50 companies hold 77% of those offshore profits. Why should the largest and most profitable U.S. corporations get a massive tax break they don't need or deserve?

US News and World Report: Long Live the Estate Tax

By Chuck Collins
September 8, 2016

On August 25, the U.S marked the 100th anniversary of the National Park Service. In the words of historian Wallace Stegner, the parks are "the best idea we ever had. Absolutely American, absolutely democratic, they reflect us at our best rather than our worst."

Several weeks after President Woodrow Wilson penned the act creating national parks, he signed America's second best idea into law, the federal estate tax, our nation's only levy on the inherited wealth of multi-millionaires and billionaires.

USA Politics Now, Op-ed: Taxpayers Funded a Lifesaving Drug and Guess What Happened Next

By Bernie Sanders
August 25, 2016
Syndicated by American Forum

The New York Times: Hillary Clinton Twists the Knife in Donald Trump's Tax Proposals

By Amy Chozick
August 17, 2018

"The tax system is the poster child for all of that," said **Frank Clemente**, the executive director of **Americans for Tax Fairness**, an advocacy organization. "It's through this lens that people really see the system as corrupt and benefiting rich people."

Kaiser Health News Morning Briefing: Op-ed: Taxpayers Funded a Lifesaving Drug and Guess What Happened Next

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Fierce Pharma: [Gilead greed protests continue at AIDS conference in wake of tax-cutting report](#)

By Carly Helfand
July 20, 2016

Gilead may have won the patent manipulation suit thrown its way earlier this year by the AIDS Healthcare Foundation. But outrage over its pricing practices and IP tactics have hardly died down. Protestors took to the 21st International AIDS Conference in South Africa with chants of “Gilead kills” and “shame shame,” local news service *BDFive* reports. And this time, they had some new ammo, thanks to a report by **Americans for Tax Fairness** published last week. According to the group, the Big Biotech dodged \$9.7 billion in U.S. taxes by shifting intellectual assets to Ireland—even as it raked in billions from sales of high-priced meds, including \$84,000-per-treatment-course Sovaldi for hep C.

Newser: [The Drug Costs \\$95K. Its Maker 'Dodged' \\$10B in Taxes](#)

By Luke Roney
July 17, 2016

A pharmaceutical company that has in recent years made billions of dollars on hepatitis C treatments—the three the FDA has approved range from \$75,000 to \$94,500—has been named a “price gouger” and “tax dodger” in a new report. Gilead Sciences, the sixth richest drugmaker in the world, “is making a fortune selling essential drugs to the very government and taxpayers that helped pay to develop them, and then dodging taxes on the resulting profits,” says **Frank Clemente**, executive director of **Americans for Tax Fairness**, which issued the report this month. Gilead has avoided some \$10 billion in taxes by moving assets to Ireland, where there is a lower tax rate, and then not bringing some \$28.5 billion in profits back into the US. Per the *Washington Post*, the California-based company's revenues in 2015 hit \$32.6 billion, up three times from 2012.

Whistleblow Wall Street: Op-ed: [Drug Company Makes a Killing with Monopoly on Hep C Cure – Dodges \\$10 Billion in Taxes Too](#)

By **Frank Clemente**
July 15, 2016

A recent report from **Americans for Tax Fairness** reveals a particularly blatant example of this triple theft. Gilead Sciences, maker of hepatitis drugs that debuted at a thousand dollars a pill – and partly discovered through federal research grants – has paid little in U.S. taxes as its profits have soared.

Time: Prescription Drug Prices in America Are Rising Like No Other Industry

By Brad Tuttle
July 14, 2016

Meanwhile, a new report from **Americans for Tax Fairness** says that Gilead Sciences, the world's sixth most valuable pharmaceutical company, has been gouging consumers, raking in billions in profits, and dodging U.S. taxes—all based on medications that were developed by taxpayer dollars.

In an op-ed on Huffington Post, U.S. Sen. Bernie Sanders called attention to the study, and the fact that “a lifesaving product does no one any good if a patient cannot buy the medicine they need, and that is now happening far too often in the richest nation in the world.”

Bloomberg: Gilead Seen Cutting Taxes by \$10 Billion as Pricey Drug Took Off

By David Kocieniewski
July 13, 2016

Gilead Sciences Inc.'s profit margin has soared and its tax rate has plummeted since the drugmaker introduced its controversial \$1,000-a-day medication for hepatitis C, according to a report by an advocacy group that accuses the company of using accounting gimmicks to stash billions in earnings in tax havens offshore.

By moving some of its intellectual property to Ireland, Gilead was able to employ a common strategy that cut its U.S. tax bill by \$10 billion since 2013, according to **Americans for Tax Fairness**, a left-leaning think tank. Two-thirds of Gilead's sales of the breakthrough hepatitis C drug Sovaldi are in the U.S., but the Foster City, California-based company books only about 37 percent of its profits domestically and assigns the rest to places with lower or no taxes, according to ATF's report. Gilead's avoidance of U.S. federal taxes was particularly galling, the report says, because federal research grants helped lead to Sovaldi's development.

STAT: Gilead avoided nearly \$10 billion in taxes last year thanks to tax dodges

By Ed Silverman
July 13, 2016

By transferring certain key assets to Ireland, Gilead was able to take advantage of tax laws that allowed some US sales to be shifted overseas and yield a significantly lower tax rate. Those overseas profits, meanwhile, mushroomed to \$28.5 billion, and Gilead was able to escape paying \$9.7 billion in US taxes last year, according to a new report published on Wednesday by the **Americans for Tax Fairness**, an advocacy organization.

FiercePharma: Gilead cut U.S. tax rate even as U.S. sales soared, report says

By Eric Palmer
July 13, 2016

Gilead Sciences has to be galling to Pfizer CEO Ian Read. While Read had his own tax inversion plans deep-sixed by U.S. Treasury rules changes this year, Gilead has managed to cut its U.S. tax bill dramatically even as its U.S. profits soared.

That is the indication of a report released today **from Americans for Tax Fairness**, a group largely supported by labor. It shows that by moving the intellectual assets for hep C cure Sovaldi to Ireland, it was able to record \$28.5 billion in profits overseas in 2015, a move that allowed it to avoid \$9.7 billion in U.S. taxes it reported to the SEC, the report says.

Tax Justice Blog: Gilead Sciences: One of the Many Price Gougers and Tax Dodgers

July 13, 2016

Now, a new report by **Americans for Tax Fairness** finds that not only is the company charging U.S. consumers an exorbitant amount for a critical, life-changing drug, it is shifting the profits it earns in the United States to offshore tax havens and avoiding taxes on a massive scale.

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July 13, 2016

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The Fiscal Times: Take the Money and Run: How Gilead Sciences Dodged \$10 Billion in US Taxes

By Eric Pianin
July 13, 2016

Members of Congress, consumer advocates and government watchdogs have denounced Gilead as a poster child for drug industry price gouging, especially since the company's prices are far lower in many

other countries.

Now comes a new report asserting that Gilead has moved a substantial portion of its assets to a tax shelter in Ireland, allowing income from some of its U.S. drug sales to be shifted abroad and taxed at a much lower rate than the top corporate rate of 35 percent in this country. And, according to **Americans for Tax Fairness**, a left-leaning advocacy group and watchdog, Gilead has also avoided paying nearly \$10 billion in taxes by refusing to bring some of its foreign profits back to the U.S.

Morning Consult: Drugmaker Gilead Dodging Taxes, Report Finds

By Mary Ellen McIntire
July 13, 2016

Gilead Sciences, a pharmaceutical company that has come under scrutiny for its high-cost hepatitis C drugs, shifted profits from its products offshore in order to dodge U.S. taxes, an investigation by **Americans for Tax Fairness** found.

The report, released today, found the drugmaker avoided paying taxes on its profits after using taxpayer dollars to fund the development of its drugs. The group that released the report, a left-leaning advocacy group, used the report as an opportunity to call for certain loopholes to be closed as part of tax reform.

The Hill: Drug company has avoided billions in taxes, report finds

By Naomi Jagoda
July 13, 2016

A U.S. pharmaceutical company that makes expensive hepatitis C medications was able to avoid almost \$10 billion in U.S. taxes by the end of 2015 by shifting profits to offshore tax havens, a report released Wednesday by the liberal-leaning **Americans for Tax Fairness** (ATF) found.

Intellectual Property Watch: Gilead's Use Of Patents For \$10B Tax Dodge Could Ignite Move For Policy Change

By William New
July 13, 2016

“Prescription drug maker Gilead Sciences is raking in billions of dollars a year in windfall profits from public health programs and consumers for exorbitantly priced hepatitis C (HCV) medications developed with taxpayer dollars,” the group **Americans for Tax Fairness** said in its report released today. “It then shifts those profits to offshore tax havens, allowing it to dodge nearly \$10 billion in U.S. taxes by the end of 2015.”

CorpWatch: Gilead Avoided \$10 Billion In Taxes On Over Priced Hepatitis C Drugs

By Richard Smalteacher
July 13, 2016

Gilead Sciences Inc., a California based pharmaceutical company, has avoided paying \$10 billion in taxes by moving its patents to Ireland. This is despite the fact that one of its most profitable drugs was developed with U.S. taxpayer money, according to a new report from **Americans for Tax Fairness**. "It's a stunning example of what's wrong with the U.S. tax system," **Frank Clemente, executive director of Americans for Tax Fairness** told Bloomberg. "Congress should stop this assault on the American people's health and pocketbooks."

Biospace: Gilead Used Legal Loopholes to Avoid Paying \$10 Billion in Taxes Last Year

By Alex Keown
July 13, 2016

The company was able to avoid paying the taxes due to the ability to transfer key assets to Ireland and take advantage of lower tax rates, StatNews said. A report by the progressive advocacy organization **Americans for Tax Fairness** said Gilead avoided paying nearly \$10 billion in taxes last year. The organization said Gilead is avoiding paying its "fair share" of taxes on revenues generated by drugs developed in part through tax dollars. The group said the patents held for Harvoni and Sovaldi, Gilead's two blockbuster hepatitis C drugs, have been shifted to subsidiaries in "tax havens" such as Ireland, where the company pays a much lower rate. However, **Americans for Tax Fairness** said the vast majority of the California-based company's profits off the two drugs were made in the United States.

Washington Post: The drug company that shocked the world with its prices dodged \$10 billion in taxes, report says

By Renae Merle and Carolyn Y. Johnson
July 13, 2016

The California-based pharmaceutical giant moved some of its assets to Ireland, apparently allowing income from some U.S. drug sales to be shifted abroad and taxed at a lower rate, according to **Americans for Tax Fairness**, a liberal advocacy group. It has also avoided nearly \$10 billion in taxes by not bringing some of its foreign profits back to the United States, the group says.

The Hill: Activists to deliver petition urging Trump to release tax returns

By Naomi Jagoda
July 12, 2016

At an event outside Trump Tower in New York, leaders of liberal-leaning groups and community members will press Trump to make his returns public. Speakers will include representatives from **Americans for Tax Fairness Action Fund** and The Patriotic Millionaires.

POLITICO Morning Tax: Speaking out on Section 385

By Toby Eckert
July 11, 2016

The liberal advocacy group **Americans for Tax Fairness**, in its formal comments, called Treasury's proposal "a solid first step to limit the shifting by foreign parent multinationals of corporate profits from the United States to foreign countries through the use of deductible interest on debt. At the same time, we believe that there is much more that can and should be done to address earnings stripping through the use of deductible interest, royalties, rents, premiums and management fees. For example, Treasury should expand the bifurcation approach of the proposed regulations to limit the amount of an instrument that may be characterized as debt based on well-established metrics that are regularly used in the marketplace, such as interest expense to EBITDA [earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization]."

The Hill: GOP Senators: Treasury rules could erode tax base

By Naomi Jagoda
July 5, 2016

Not all comments on the rules have been negative. Members and supporters of liberal organizations **Americans for Tax Fairness** and Daily Kos have sent Treasury comments in support of them.

Bloomberg BNA: New Business Voices Applauding Debt-Equity Rules

By Alison Bennett, Aaron E. Lorenzo and Kaustuv Basu
July 5, 2016

Thousands of U.S. businesses and taxpayers are raising their voices to support the Treasury Department's controversial rules to stop companies from stripping income out of the U.S., in sharp contrast to the growing pressure from multinational corporations to drop the rules. Just days ahead of a July 6 meeting between Treasury officials and lawmakers and a July 7 comment deadline, the Main Street Alliance and **Americans for Tax Fairness** are urging the government not only to keep the rules as proposed, but to expand their reach.

USA Today Op-ed: Declaring Independence from Corporate Tax Dodging

By Frank Clemente

July 4, 2016

Marchers in this year's 4th of July parades in small towns across America will pass a variety of Main Street businesses: barber shops, restaurants, computer repair services. What all these small businesses have in common is that none of them use unpatriotic offshore tax dodges to avoid paying their fair share of U.S. taxes.

The Hill: Liberals urge Treasury to forge ahead with tax rules

By Naomi Jagoda

July 1, 2016

Members and supporters of the liberal organizations **Americans for Tax Fairness** (ATF) and Daily Kos submitted almost 60,000 comments to the Treasury Department in favor of rules to curb offshore tax deals.

POLITICO Morning Tax: The comments are flowing

By Bernie Becker

July 1, 2016

Don't look now, but there's less than a week left on the comment period for those Obama administration earnings stripping regulations — and we're guessing the printer is doing overtime at both Treasury and the IRS.

For starters, both the New York and D.C. bar associations just weighed in, adding to the flak that the rules allowing Treasury to recharacterize some debt as equity are getting from the business community. In all, the two bar associations sent about 350 pages worth of comments to the administration, though D.C. was a little harsher than their New York brethren.

POLITICO Morning Tax: First Look

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June 29, 2016

The liberal group **Americans for Tax Fairness** is out with fulsome praise for the newest Democratic platform, which it says contains the strongest support of any major party platform yet for “a fair and progressive tax system.”

“For too long we’ve been operating under a rigged tax system. This platform begins the process of changing that,” said the group’s Frank Clemente. With what, you might ask? A surtax on millionaires and billionaires, a financial transactions tax and expanding the Earned Income Tax Credit.

The Huffington Post: Op-Ed: Tax Reform Proposals In Approved Draft Of Democratic Platform Are Most Progressive In Modern History

By Frank Clemente
June 29, 2016

The draft 2016 Democratic Platform contains the strongest language in support of a fair and progressive tax system of any party platform crafted in the modern era, according to analysis by Americans for Tax Fairness Action Fund (ATFAF).

“This is a major victory for working families and Main Street businesses that pay their fair of taxes,” said Frank Clemente, executive director of Americans for Tax Fairness Action Fund. “The platform language on taxes represents a win for all those citizens and organizations that have been fighting tirelessly for a tax system that works for all of us—not just the rich and powerful. For too long we’ve been operating under a rigged tax system. This platform begins the process of changing that.”

The 2016 DNC Drafting Committee approved the platform language with amendments in St. Louis on June 25, and ATFAF compared this year’s draft language with all of the previous Democratic platforms since 1960.

The Daily Dot: Here's how Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton's tax plans add up

By Aaron Sankin
June 28, 2016

Trump's plan attracted different, albeit no less vociferous, criticism from experts on the other side of political spectrum. The primary goal of Trump's tax was to pay down the national debt, but, in 2000, the national debt was already in the process of being paid down as a result of a government budget surplus. That surplus would soon be erased by a tax cut targeted primarily at the wealthy and pair of foreign wars, but Trump had no way of knowing that at the time.

For Frank Clemente, executive director of the left-leaning **Americans for Tax Fairness**, Trump's insistence that, once the national debt was entirely paid down, the country would stop issuing debt similarly indicated an ignorance of government finance. The current "level of interest rates and Treasury bond rates" makes it a "phenomenal" time for the U.S. government to "borrow money to make the economy more productive and create a hell of a lot more," Clemente said. "He's a business person who borrows money all the time to make investments, for crying out loud. He, more than anybody, knows the value of borrowing money to make you more productive."

POLITICO: After much tax reform talk, House GOP finally agrees on a plan

By Brian Faler
June 24, 2016

Even before the plan was released, the left-leaning **Americans for Tax Fairness** was trashing it as a sop to the rich.

"House Speaker Paul Ryan and Donald Trump may disagree on some issues, but they are united when it comes to giving huge tax breaks to the wealthy and big corporations," the group said.

Newsmax: House GOP To Unveil Tax Code Reform Plan

By Joe Crowe
June 24, 2016

The left-leaning group **Americans for Tax Fairness** slammed the plan, saying in a statement, "House Speaker Paul Ryan and Donald Trump may agree on some issues, but they are united when it comes to giving huge tax breaks to the wealthy and big corporations."

The Huffington Post: Op-Ed: We Can Pay For Zika Response — And More — With Corporate Tax Reform

By Frank Clemente
June 14, 2016

There's no good excuse for Congress's disgraceful delay in responding to the dangerous Zika virus. But the worst excuse of all is that we can't afford to act. In fact, we can easily pay for a comprehensive response to this public health threat simply by closing a single corporate tax loophole.

The House and Senate adjourned for its Memorial Day recess without providing the \$1.9 billion President Obama urgently requested three months ago to fight Zika, which can cause crippling birth defects. The head of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recently warned that there is only a "narrow window of opportunity" to effectively fight the disease. Hundreds of cases have already been reported in the continental United States.

Quartz: Walmart sells more than Apple, Amazon and Microsoft, combined

By Oliver Staley
June 7, 2016

Much has been written about the destructive power of Walmart on small towns and salary growth. Its obsession with low prices squeezes its thousands of suppliers, who in turn hold down their wages. And the low wages Walmart pays its associates force many of its employees to rely on public assistance, costing taxpayers an estimated \$6.2 billion annually, according to **Americans for Tax Fairness**.

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KNOW-FM (Radio)

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CSPAN2 (TV): Read My Lips

U.S. Cable
4/30/17

CSPAN2 re-aired a Brookings Institute panel that included **Frank Clemente**.

[CNN: Alexis Goldstein and Stephen Moore discuss Trump's tax cut plan \(TV\)](#)

4/27/17

Americans for Tax Fairness pointed out that only 1 out of 9 dollars comes from corporations because they have so many methods of dodging taxes.

KFBK-AM (Radio)

Sacramento CA
4/27/17

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KDKA-AM (Radio)

Pittsburgh PA
4/26/17

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WTOP-DC (Radio)

Washington DC
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Dallas TX
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550 AM KTSA (Radio)

San Antonio, TX

4/26/17

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FM News 101 KXL (Radio)

Portland, OR

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Seattle WA

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Las Angles CA

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KXNT NewsRadio 840

Las Vegas NV

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C-Span: [Read My Lips](#)

By Vanessa Williamson

April 4, 2017

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KPCC-FM (Radio)

Las Angeles CA

3/16/17

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Pittsburgh PA

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National Public Radio

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WDDE 91.1 FM (Radio)

Seattle WA

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WYPR-FM (Radio)

Baltimore MD

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Capital Public Radio

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KOPB-FM (Radio)

Portland OR

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Vermont Public Radio

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New York City

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WBUR (Radio)

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News KNPR (Radio)

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WUNC-FM (Radio)

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KCRW-FM (Radio)

Los Angeles CA

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WTSP-TB (CBS)

Tampa Bay FL

2/16/17

Rick Smith Radio Show (Radio)

1/9/17

Frank Clemente, Executive Director for Americans for Tax Fairness joins Rick to talk about recent reports of massive Republican spending proposals with no possible way to pay for their plans. Where are the anti-tax fetishists? Where are the deficit hawks? Where's the guy with the sharp pencil and bow tie?

WNHN: Radio Interview: Frank Clemente on The Attitude with Arnie Arnesen

November 30, 2016

Part One: American's For Tax Fairness Executive Director Frank Clemente on Trump's infrastructure plan: private gain – public pain.

KPFK 90.7 Los Angeles (Radio): Frank Clemente on Background Briefing

Los Angeles, CA

7/14/16

ATF Executive director **Frank Clemente** appeared on the Background Briefing with Ian Masters, a radio program broadcast on 160 stations, to discuss Gilead's tax dodging.

Rick Smith Radio Show (Radio)

6/9/16

ATF Executive director Frank Clemente appeared on the Rick Smith show, a syndicated radio program on 4 Pennsylvania stations, to discuss tax fairness issues.

KCBS (Radio)

San Francisco, CA

6/8/16

Americans for Tax Fairness' Walmart report was discussed on KCBS radio in San Francisco, California on Wednesday June 8.

STATE

Alabama

[Troy Messenger: Op-ed: Tax marches demand level playing field](#)

By Jon Green, Sarah Anderson and **Frank Clemente**

May 12, 2017

Syndicated by American Forum

Alaska

[Alaska Dispatch News: Trump's tax plan gives favorable rate to businesses big and small](#)

By Julie Hirschfeld Davis, Alan Rappeport, Kate Kelly, and Rachel Abrams

April 25, 2017

Syndicated from The New York Times

Arizona

[The Arizona Republic: Union's 'Expose Walmart' tour launches in Phoenix](#)

By Megan Cassidy
May 15, 2017

The tour cited a 2014 study by **Americans for Tax Fairness** that found the state paid \$143 million in public assistance for Arizona Walmart employees.

[Payson Roundup: Op-ed: Abolishing Obamacare rewards wealthy, punishes working families - Payson Roundup](#)

By **Frank Clemente** and Ron Pollack
January 24, 2017
Syndicated by American Forum

Arkansas

[Jonesboro Sun: Op-Ed: Transparency is a start. Fairness is the goal.](#)

By Jon Green, Sarah Anderson and **Frank Clemente**
Syndicated by American Forum

[Jonesboro Sun: Op-Ed: Corporations Dodge \\$718 Billion in U.S. Taxes Through Offshore Tax Havens \(AR\)](#)

By Matthew Gardner
October 13, 2016
Syndicated by American Forum

[Arkansas Online: Tax group singles out Rx-maker](#)

By Renae Merle and Carolyn Y. Johnson
July 14, 2016
Syndicated by The Washington Post

[Jonesboro Sun: Op-Ed: Time to Declare our Independence from Corporate Tax Dodging](#)

By **Frank Clemente**
July 4, 2016

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California

[City Watch: Op-ed: Tax Day Marchers Asking: What Is Trump Hiding? \(Los Angeles, CA\)](#)

By Peter Drier
April 17, 2017

A broad coalition of activists -- which includes the leaders of the January women's marches that galvanized five million people in cities across the country, MoveOn.org, the American Federation of Teachers, the Indivisible Project (which has inspired more than 7,000 local groups to organize, including protests at local town halls sponsored by members of Congress,) **Americans for Tax Fairness**, the Center for Popular Democracy (a network of local community organizing groups,) and Our Revolution (the organization built from Bernie Sanders's presidential campaign) -- sponsored the Tax Day events. In Washington, D.C. they walked from the U.S. Capitol to the White House, passing both Trump's hotel and the IRS building.

[YubaNet.com New Poll: 80 Percent of Americans Want Donald Trump to Release His Tax Returns \(Sierra Nevada\)](#)

By TaxMarch.org
April 14, 2017

The new survey comes as thousands of Americans in Washington, D.C., and more than 150 communities around the country prepare to march on Saturday for a fairer, more equitable tax system. A diverse coalition of 70 organizations, labor unions, and economic justice advocates — including MoveOn.org, Stand Up America, The Working Families Party, American Federation of Teachers, **Americans for Tax Fairness**, Center for Popular Democracy, CREDO, Indivisible, Our Revolution, 32BJ SEIU, Action Group Network, Change.org, Demos, National Domestic Workers Alliance, Public Citizen, Avaaz, Communications Workers of America, Sunlight Foundation, Color of Change, Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington, and National Education Association — are supporting the Tax March.

[Ukiah Daily Journal: Ukiah Tax Day March planned for April 15](#)

By Ukiah Daily Journal
April 11, 2017

The Tax March is supported by the American Federation of Teachers, **Americans for Tax Fairness**, Center for Popular Democracy, Indivisible Project, Indivisible Sacramento, MoveOn.Org, Our Revolution, The Working Families Party, and Women's March.

[YubaNet.com: Senator Ron Wyden, Representatives Maxine Waters and Jamie Raskin to Speak at April 15 Tax March in Washington, D.C. \(Nevada City, CA\)](#)

By TaxMarch.org
April 5, 2017

A diverse coalition of 46 grassroots organizations, labor unions, and economic justice advocacy groups — including MoveOn.org, Stand Up America, The Working Families Party, American Federation of Teachers, **Americans for Tax Fairness**, Center for Popular Democracy, CREDO, Indivisible, Our Revolution, 32BJ SEIU, Action Group Network, Change.org, Demos, National Domestic Workers Alliance, National Low Income Housing Coalition, National Women’s Law Center, Public Citizen, Restaurant Opportunities Centers United, and Rise Stronger — are supporting the Tax March. More speakers will be announced in the coming weeks.

San Diego Free Press: [Resolution to Get Trump’s Taxes from Steven Mnuchin Faced Vote Tuesday](#)

By Nadia Prupis/Common Dreams

March 29, 2017

YubaNet.com: [Tax Coalition Urges House Ways & Means Committee to Approve Release of Trump Tax Returns in Vote Today \(Nevada City, CA\)](#)

March 28, 2017

YubaNet.com published **ATF’s press release**, “Tax Coalition Urges House Ways & Means Committee to Approve Release of Trump Tax Returns in Vote Today.”

YubaNet.com: [Trump Trying to Eliminate the Biggest Tax He Pays: The Alternative Minimum Tax](#)

By **Americans for Tax Fairness**

March 15, 2017

YubaNet.com published **ATF’s press release**, “Trump Trying to Eliminate the Biggest Tax He Pays: The Alternative Minimum.”

San Bernardino American: Op-ed: [Abolishing Obamacare rewards wealthy, punishes working families](#)

By **Frank Clemente** & Ron Pollack

By January 19, 2017

Syndicated by American Forum

Woodland Daily Democrat: Op-Ed: [Taxpayers Funded a Lifesaving Drug and Guess What Happened Next](#)

By Bernie Sanders

Syndicated by American Forum

Eureka Times-Standard: Op-Ed: [Taxpayers Funded a Lifesaving Drug and Guess What Happened Next](#)

By Bernie Sanders

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[East Bay Times: Op-Ed: Taxpayers Funded a Lifesaving Drug and Guess What Happened Next](#)

By Bernie Sanders

August 20, 2016

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[San Jose Mercury News: Op-Ed: Taxpayers Funded a Lifesaving Drug and Guess What Happened Next](#)

By Bernie Sanders

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Colorado

[The Mountain Mail: Op-Ed: Time to Declare our Independence from Corporate Tax Dodging](#)

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Connecticut

[New Britain Herald: Op-Ed: Taxpayers Funded a Lifesaving Drug and Guess What Happened Next](#)

By Bernie Sanders

August 24, 2016

Syndicated by American Forum

[Bristol Press: Op-Ed: Taxpayers Funded a Lifesaving Drug and Guess What Happened Next](#)

By Bernie Sanders

August 23, 2016

Syndicated by American Forum

Delaware

Wilmington News Journal: Op-ed: [Repeal of Obamacare helps rich but hurts poor](#)

By **Frank Clemente** and Ron Pollack

Jan 18, 2017

Syndicated by American Forum

Florida

Tampa Bay Times: [Trump's Tax Plan: Low Rate for Corporations, and for Companies Like His](#)

By Julie Hirschfeld Davis, Alan Rappeport, Kate Kelly and Rachel Abrams

April 25, 2017

Syndicated from the New York Times

Palm Beach Post: Op-Ed: [For U.S. Businesses to Compete Globally, Our Multinationals Must Pay Their Taxes](#)

By Josh Knauer

December 10, 2016

Syndicated by American Forum

Pensacola News Journal: [Op-Ed: Taxpayers Funded a Lifesaving Drug and Guess What Happened Next](#)

By Bernie Sanders

August 20, 2016

Syndicated by American Forum

Georgia

Atlanta Inquirer: Op-ed: [Abolishing Obamacare rewards wealthy, punishes working families](#)

By **Frank Clemente** and Ron Pollack

February 4, 2017

Syndicated by American Forum

Bryan County News: Op-Ed: [Corporations Dodge \\$718 Billion in U.S. Taxes Through Offshore Tax Havens](#)

By Matthew Gardner

October 13, 2016

Syndicated by American Forum

Hawaii

[Lahaina News: Op-Ed: Time to Declare our Independence from Corporate Tax Dodging](#)

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Illinois

[Enews Park Forest: 'God Have Mercy on Your Souls': GOP Passes Cruel, Destructive Trumpcare Bill; Analysis of Bill \(IL\)](#)

May 4, 2017

Syndicated from Common Dreams

In a press statement on Thursday, **Frank Clemente, executive director of Americans for Tax Fairness**, outlined "the math behind the Republican healthcare repeal plan: Subtract healthcare from 24 million people. Add \$600 billion in tax giveaways, mostly for the wealthy and corporations. Multiply out-of-pocket costs for senior citizens by 5. Divide all Americans. This equation didn't work out the last time they tried it, and it still doesn't work today. That's why Republicans in Congress want to exempt themselves and their staffs from their own lousy plan while refusing to wait for the Congressional Budget Office to estimate its costs."

[Daily Southtown: Letter to the Editor: Top 3 Reasons Trump Must Release His Tax Returns](#)

By **Frank Clemente**

April 19, 2017

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[Chicago Tribune: Letter to the Editor: Top 3 Reasons Trump Must Release His Tax Returns](#)

By **Frank Clemente**

April 18, 2017

[In These Times \(Chicago\): Forget Building Our Own Tea Party. The Left Can Win So Much More](#)

By Jacob Swenson-Lengyel

March 10, 2017

Tax cuts for corporations and the wealthy are also a centerpiece of the Republican agenda. Yet, a series of post-election [polls compiled by Americans for Tax Fairness](#) show that Americans oppose cutting taxes

for big corporations and the rich by roughly a two-to-one margin. Gallup polls consistently show that similar margins believe corporations and the wealthy already pay too little in taxes

[ENews @ Park Forest : Group Slams Report of GOP Health Plan to Tax Workers While Rich Get Richer](#)

By Nadia Prupis, Staff Writer

March 6, 2017

Americans for Tax Fairness (ATF)—a coalition of hundreds of organizations including the AFL-CIO, the Leadership Conference on Human and Civil Rights, Main Street Alliance, National Council of La Raza, SEIU, and the Working Families Party—issued the statement in response to reporting last Thursday that the repeal plan would impose \$200 billion in new taxes on middle-class workers by taxing their health benefits for the first time ever.

“House Republicans want to tax workers’ healthcare benefits rather than continue to require the wealthiest Americans and big healthcare corporations to help finance health care for 20 million people now getting covered under the ACA. If true, the GOP healthcare repeal plan means the rich will get richer, millions will lose their healthcare, and workers will pick up the tab,” said ATF executive director **Frank Clemente**.

[Jewish Journal: Op-ed: Abolishing Obamacare Punishes Working Families](#)

By **Frank Clemente** & Ron Pollack

January 26, 2017

Syndicated by American Forum

[Illinois Times: Op-Ed: Corporations Dodge \\$718 Billion in U.S. Taxes Through Offshore Tax Havens](#)

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October 13, 2016

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August 24, 2016

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Chicago Tribune: [Drug firm avoided billions in U.S. taxes, advocacy group says](#)

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July 14, 2016

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Indiana

The Indydependent: [Tax Day Marchers Want to Know: What Is Trump Hiding?](#)

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Iowa

West Lyon Herald: [Op-ed: Abolishing Obamacare rewards wealthy, punishes working families](#)

By **Frank Clemente** & Ron Pollack

January 25, 2017

Syndicated by American Forum

Lyon County Reporter: [Op-ed: Abolishing Obamacare rewards wealthy, punishes working families](#)

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January 25, 2017

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Forest City Summit: [Op-Ed: Time to Declare our Independence from Corporate Tax Dodging](#)

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Kansas

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Yesterday, we learned President Trump wants to slash the corporate tax rate, even though corporations already dodge most of their tax responsibilities while making record profits," **said Frank Clemente, executive director of the liberal Americans for Tax Fairness.** "Today, we find out it's even worse. In trying to slash taxes for 'pass-through' business entities, Trump is seeking to dramatically reduce his own tax bill."

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First, it's just not fair. Why should working Americans pay all their taxes every year, while big corporations don't? The only winners from this tax avoidance scheme are corporate CEOs and wealthy shareholders, whose payouts are inflated with the taxes not paid. (Oh, and the lobbyists who swarm Capitol Hill convincing Congress to open the tax-dodging loopholes in the first place.) Those tax-dodge bonanzas further widen our nation's already yawning income and wealth gaps.

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By Karen Rubin

April 13, 2017

“Right now, multinational corporations owe more than \$750 billion in U.S. taxes on \$2.6 trillion in profits stashed offshore,” stated **Frank Clemente, executive director, Americans for Tax Fairness**. “They’re skirting their patriotic duty to enrich their high-paid CEOs and wealthy shareholders.”

[Daily Messenger: Guest essay: Top 3 reasons Trump must release his tax returns \(Buffalo, NY\)](#)

By **Frank Clemente**

April 11, 2017

President Donald Trump claims ordinary people “don’t care at all” that he’s the first chief executive in more than 40 years not to release his tax returns. But a January Washington Post-ABC News poll found three quarters — 74 percent — of Americans say Trump should release his tax returns. That includes a majority — 53 percent — of Republicans.

A White House petition demanding Trump release his tax returns broke a record for signatures within six days of being posted. It has since collected more than one million signatures.

This broad-based public demand makes sense. There are at least three important questions that can be answered only by the release of Trump’s tax returns

First, does Trump contribute any taxes to the nation he leads? We already know that he paid zero, or close to zero, federal income taxes in at least five of the past 40 years. We also know that he declared a nearly \$1 billion loss in the 1990s that could have wiped out all his federal income tax obligations for up to 18 years. He's proudly declared that not paying taxes "makes me smart."

Buffalo Breeze: [Ending Tax Avoidance An Alternative to Federal Funding Cuts](#)

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The Cash Gazette: [House Republicans show long-awaited plan for ACA replacement](#)

By Marie Dunn

March 7, 2017

Subsidies under the Affordable Care Act are calculated based on how much money people make and the price of health plans. "If true, the GOP healthcare repeal plan means the rich will get richer, millions will lose their healthcare, and workers will pick up the tab", said **ATF executive director Frank Clemente**.

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By Morris Pearl and Karen Scharff

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Americans want to see Trump's returns not only because they have seen the returns of every presidential nominee for the last 40 years, but because they will show if Trump is committed to a key premise and principle of our democracy: that economic freedom and economic fairness go hand in hand, and that paying your fair share in taxes assures that all of us can prosper, together.

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The Vindicator (Youngstown, OH) : [Trump's first test on taxes](#)

By Chuck Collins

February 8, 2017

Our first billionaire president has nominated a cabinet that includes two billionaires and at least 10 multi-millionaires, whose combined net worth is estimated at over \$13 billion. As a group, they're part of the tiny segment of U.S. society that will personally benefit from such targeted tax cuts for the wealthy.

Under the GOP plan, Mnuchin's taxes would be cut by \$3.3 million a year, according to an analysis by **Americans for Tax Fairness**. And his heirs would get an extra \$160 million if the estate tax is abolished.

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January 19, 2017

Frank Clemente and Ron Pollack estimate that the cost of insurance would increase about \$4,000 to \$6,000 a year per family, depending on their income level. Thus the most important aspect of Obamacare, its affordability for many working-class families, would be taken away.

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[The Commercial Appeal: Column: The Walmart Tax Every American Taxpayer Pays \(Memphis, TN\)](#)

By Lonnie Shephard

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According to a 2014 report by **Americans for Tax Fairness**, Walmart receives an estimated \$6.2 billion in subsidies every year, primarily from the Federal Government.

The reason? The world's largest retailer, infamous for its poor working conditions and unfair treatment

of employees, pays its workers so little that thousands of Walmart employees are forced to rely on public assistance programs like food stamps, Medicaid and subsidized housing. Programs funded by American taxpayers.

[Knoxville Times: Ending Tax Avoidance An Alternative to Federal Funding Cuts](#)

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By Jim Zarroli

March 15, 2017

"Without the alternative minimum tax, Donald Trump would have paid a lower tax rate in 2005 than the poorest half of Americans — just 3.48 percent — despite income of more than \$150 million. Trump wants to abolish the AMT. Now we know why," said **Americans for Tax Fairness Executive Director Frank Clemente**.

[The Tennessean: Op-ed: Don't give me a tax cut that cuts people's health care](#)

By Stephen Prince

March 20, 2017

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Republican plans to repeal the Affordable Care Act and the taxes that pay for it would save rich taxpayers like me a lot of money. But it would also cause 24 million Americans to lose their health insurance. That's not a tradeoff I want to make—and no one else should, either.

Long before the ACA required larger employers to offer our workers coverage or pay a penalty, I was already covering my employees. I could have saved millions of dollars over the years if I had left them uninsured.

But I believe health care is a basic human right.

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May 5, 2017

"We should see his tax returns", said **Frank Clemente**, the **executive director of Americans for Tax Fairness** in Washington.

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Deseret News: Op-ed: [GOP Obamacare 'replacement' offered wealthy tax cuts, not worker health care \(Salt Lake City, UT\)](#)

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The House Republicans' so-called "replacement" of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) was a huge tax giveaway to the rich and corporations that threatens the health insurance of 24 million low and moderate-income Americans. Even though I'm one of the fortunate few who stood to gain, I was against the plan because I knew my grandmother wouldn't approve.

She's the one who taught me we're all supposed to look out for each other. That's why the company I co-founded in 1986 provides health insurance for our employees, even though the cost is substantial and continues to increase.

The ACA levies taxes on wealthy households and health care companies to help fund health insurance for working families who otherwise couldn't afford it. The GOP plan would have reversed that process, taking away health care from those who need it most to fund \$600 billion in tax breaks that mostly benefit those who really don't need it.

Deseret News: Op-Ed: [Corporate Tax Reform Can Pay For Zika Response](#)

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Vermont Business Magazine: [Leahy, Sanders join in reintroducing bill to simplify tax filing](#)

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[Seattle Post-Intelligencer: Democrats fail to force release of Trump tax returns; Reichert opposes](#)

By Joe Connelly

March 28, 2017

"If this resolution fails, the public should know which members of Congress are continuing to allow President Trump to hide his business dealings and possible conflicts of interest, and the ways that he could gain personally from his tax (reform) plan," said **Frank Clemente**, executive director of **Americans for Tax Fairness**.

[The Grand Coulee Star: Op-ed: Abolishing Obamacare rewards wealthy, punishes working families](#)

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Superior Daily Telegram: Op-ed: [Abolishing Obamacare rewards wealthy, punishes working families](#)

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January 27, 2017

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Milwaukee Courier: Op-ed: [Abolishing Obamacare Rewards Wealthy, Punishes Working Families](#)

January 21, 2017

The Milwaukee Courier published the column "[How Obamacare repeal helps rich, hurts poor](#)" by **Frank Clemente** and Ron Pollack, which originally appeared in USA Today.

Urban Milwaukee: [Baldwin, Whitehouse, Warren, and Feinstein Introduce Bill to Limit Tax Windfalls for Billionaires in the Trump Administration](#)

By Tammy Baldwin

January 4, 2017

The bill has been endorsed by **Americans for Tax Fairness**; Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington; and Public Citizen.

Madison Capital Times: Op-Ed: [Taxpayers Funded a Lifesaving Drug and Guess What Happened Next](#)

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June 18, 2016

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Red Flag: Trump's plan to make the rich even richer (Australia)

By Nicole Colson

May 8, 2017

Or there's the fact that Trump's plan would create a so-called pass-through tax cut for business income that is currently taxed at the business owners' individual income tax rates rather than the corporate rate. Under Trump's plan, the tax rate for this wealth would drop to 15 percent. (**Americans for Tax Fairness** notes that Trump himself has some 500 pass-through arrangements.)

Daily Times: America reaps few benefits from Trump's tax-cut proposal (Pakistan)

By Christopher Walden
May 8, 2017

"Yesterday, we learned President Trump wants to slash the corporate tax rate, even though corporations already dodge most of their tax responsibilities while making record profits," **Frank Clemente, executive director of the liberal Americans for Tax Fairness**, told the New York Times.

"Today, we find out it's even worse. In trying to slash taxes for 'pass through' business entities, Trump is seeking to dramatically reduce his own tax bill." The idea advanced by Trump that the tax rate for all small proprietorships should fall to 15 percent caught some observers by surprise. Such small businesses where the individual pays taxes on business profits on their individual taxes are treated as pass throughs for state and federal tax purposes, but also include many professionals and financial firms-including real estate developers.

Arena Publica: Severe loss of tax revenues if Mexico aligns itself to Trump's fiscal policy (Mexico)

By Arena Publica
May 6, 2017

In addition, the reform serves to demonstrate that he is willing to consent to private initiative, according to economic analysts such as the director of "**Americans for Tax Justice**," **Frank Clemente**.

The Guardian: Trump under fire over 'huge tax cut for the rich'(UK)

By Dominic Rushe, Ben Jacobs & Sabrina Siddiqui
April 27, 2017

But on the campaign trail, he also consistently pledged to cut the US's \$19tn deficit "big-league" and "very quickly". A 20-percentage-point cut to corporate tax rates alone would add \$2.4tn to the national debt, according to the nonpartisan pressure group **Americans for Tax Fairness**. **Frank Clemente, executive director**, called the proposal a "reckless" plan "for massive tax giveaways to corporations, the wealthy, and his own family" in return for adding trillions of dollars to the national debt.

"So, how would Trump's White House make up the shortfall? By drastic cuts to essential services and lowering the standard of living for regular American families. Unacceptable," said Clemente. "The White House line that 'tax cuts will pay for themselves' is a lie that has been debunked repeatedly, including by the conservative Tax Foundation. We will fight this tax plan tooth and nail, and we'll be joined by Americans of all political stripes in doing so."

US dollar V pound: GBP SURGES against USD after Trump's tax plans

By Matthew Andrews

April 27, 2017

Frank Clemente, executive director of nonpartisan pressure group **Americans for Tax Fairness**, branded the plans as "reckless" and suggested that the government would be forced to make up the shortfall in taxes by making "drastic cuts to essential services and lowering the standard of living for regular American families".

The Independent (Ireland): Trump tax plan to slash US corporate tax rates, raising job fears here

By Amanda Becker and Steve Holland

April 26, 2017

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Financial Times: BlackRock and Franklin Templeton to win big from US tax holiday

By Aliya Ram

December 18, 2016

Frank Clemente, executive director of **Americans for Tax Fairness**, a campaign group, said that shareholders and the US taxpayer are divided on the merits of the transition tax. "The companies that are going to win the most is those that have paid the lowest rate offshore for longest," he said. "The American people lose."

News with Ed: Television Interview: Trump may have gone 18 years without paying federal taxes

October 3, 2016

ATF Executive Director **Frank Clemente** appeared on RT's "News with Ed" show to discuss the disclosure of Donald Trump's billion-dollar loss in 1995 and the tax avoidance that came from it.

Business Day: Drug maker Gilead the target of activists' ire at AIDS conference

By Tamar Kahn
July 20, 2016

The US-based pharmaceutical company moved some of its assets to Ireland in order to shift some US drug sales revenue offshore to benefit from lower tax rates, according to a report by **Americans for Tax Fairness** published last week.

By not repatriating its foreign profits, Gilead avoided nearly \$10bn in taxes, the group said.

International Radio: 'It's Basically a Triple Theft of the American Public'

July 19, 2016

Gilead Sciences, a U.S. pharmaceutical company that makes hepatitis C medicine, was able to avoid almost \$10 billion in taxes by the end of 2015 by shifting profits to offshore tax havens. The report says that Gilead was able to take advantage of legal loopholes in tax laws by moving certain key assets to Ireland. Gilead is not the only company that used tax loopholes in addition to setting outrageous prices.

They linked up with the lead author of the report and **Americans for Tax Fairness Policy Consultant-William Rice**.
