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# WEICKER INSISTS ON TAX DATA CURB

## Vows to Filibuster in Effort to Restore Amendment on Access to I.R.S. Files

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WASHINGTON, Aug. 6 —

Senator Lowell P. Weicker charged today that Administration lobbyists had "swarmed all over the halls of Congress" in an attempt to defeat a proposal of his that was aimed at preventing a recurrence of one of the offenses with which President Nixon is charged — political use of the Internal Revenue Service.

Senator Weicker, a Connecticut Republican, said he would filibuster for several days in an attempt to get his proposal restored to a pending bill increasing the authorized size of the White House staff.

The Weicker amendment to the bill, which was passed by the Senate but subsequently eliminated by a joint Senate-House conference committee, would rigidly limit the number of persons and government agencies that may have access to tax returns and the reasons for which they may request access.

### Oppsed by Simon

Secretary of the Treasury William E. Simon contends that the limitations are too strict. For example, he has said that they could keep the Treasury from analyzing the tax returns of a given industry in an attempt to determine whether tax laws that apply to that industry should be changed.

Officials of the Treasury Department and the Internal Revenue Service and ranking members of the House Ways and Means Committee have said that they were working on legislation to achieve the same purposes as Senator Weidker's amendment.

One Treasury official said today that the Senator's amendment, while going too far in some respects, did not go far enough in others. He noted, for example, that the law enforcement agencies of state and local governments may request and receive copies of tax returns, and said that the rules governing such requests should be tightened.

But Senator Weicker asserted that such objections to his bill amounted to "mere rationalizations."

### 'The Old Politics'

"That's the old politics," he said. "People today are no longer satisfied with being lulled by the rhetoric of promises."

Mr. Weicker added that he was prepared to talk and tie up the Senate for several days, until the Senate sent the bill back to the conference committee with instructions to include his amendment.

The compromise bill, which also would limit the number of high-paid White House assistants to the President, was passed by a voice vote in the House today and sent to the Senate.

The use of tax returns by the Nixon Administration is the first item in the second article of impeachment that was voted by the House Judiciary Committee last week.

Testimony before various Congressional committees disclosed that White House employes had received copies of tax returns or other tax information about a number of well-known persons, including Gov. George C. Wallace of Alabama, Billy Graham, the evangelist, and Lawrence F. O'Brien, former chairman of the Democratic National Committee.

In addition, the White House asked that audits be done on more than 400 persons who were considered "enemies" of the Administration, although it was not clear that any such audits were ever done.