

Family Lies

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By Reverend William M. Englund

I would like to share a portion of an article from the Report From The Capital (July/ August 2017) about a bill in congress that could undermine an important protection for houses of worship in the tax code.

Despite bipartisan opposition, Section 116 of the financial Services and General Government Appropriations bill passed the House Appropriations Committee on July 13. That section undermines the so-called “Johnson Amendment,” which has become shorthand for a provision in the tax code that applies to all 501©(3) organizations. Groups that choose that most-favored tax status must refrain from endorsing, opposing or financially supporting political candidates.

While the language of Section 116 does not repeal the Johnson Amendment it would hinder enforcement capability. Bringing partisan, candidate-centered politics into churches is the issue at stake.

At present churches are greatly respected. They have great moral force. People pay attention. If they are perceived as an extension of campaigns or are seen as unduly exploited by campaigns, it would remove some of the moral force.

If the bill becomes law, churches would still be legally prohibited from endorsing or opposing candidates or contributing to candidates’ political campaigns. However, this provision would make it nearly impossible for the IRS to investigate even the most obvious of violations by churches that specifically endorsed political candidates.

ပဝဲခရံဖိတဖ်

ပဝဲခရံဖိတဖ်ပအိဉ်ဒီးပတၢ်အိဉ်ဖိဉ်, ပဟ်ဖိဉ်ဘိသကိးတၢ်, ပအိဉ်ဒီးပတၢ်အိဉ်ဖိဉ်ခိဉ်နၢ်လၢကတိခိဉ်ရိဉ်မဲတၢ်လီၤ. ပုၤကိးဂၤဒီးလၢတၢ်အိဉ်ဖိဉ်တဖ်အပူၤမ့ၢ်ပုၤရူၤခိဉ်လၢယူၤအဂီၢ်ဒီးအနီၢ်ကစၢ်အဂီၢ်လီၤ. တၢ်အရူၤခိဉ်ကတၢ်လၢပဘဉ်ပၤသ့ၣ်ပၤသးတမံၤမ့ၢ်ပဘဉ်ဟ့ၣ်လီၤအးလီၤပသးဒီးပတၢ်ဖဲတၢ်မၤပတၢ်အိဉ်ဖိဉ်လၢယူၤအစုပူၤလၢလၢဆုဆုန့ၣ်လီၤ. ကစၢ်ယူၤအမဲၣ်အိဉ်လၢပဖိခိဉ်ထီၣ်တၢ်လီၤ. ဖဲတၢ်သဘံၣ်ဘုဉ်ဒီးတၢ်ဆိဉ်သနးဘဉ်ပုၤတဂၤဘဉ်တဂၤ, တကးဘဉ်ပတၢ်ထီၣ်တဖ်အိဉ်ထီၣ်အကလုာ်ကလုာ်ဒီးတလီၤပလီၢ်ဘဉ်ပသးအခါဒၣ်လဲၣ်သးဟးဂီၤလၢယူၤအပူၤတဂ့ၤ. ဟ့ၣ်လီၤအးလီၤနသးခဲလၢလၢယူၤလၢအမူၢ်တဂၤအစုပူၤဖဲတၢ်လၢနကမၤမ့ၢ်ဂ့ၤနဆၢတၢ်မ့ၢ်ဂ့ၤနတက့ၢ်. နဘဉ်သ့ၣ်ညါလၢနဘဉ်ဒုးတၢ်လၢယူၤအဂီၢ်လီၤ. နဘဉ်သ့ၣ်ညါစ့ၢ်ကိးလၢတၢ်တြီၤမၤတံာ်တၢ်ကဘဉ်နၤလီၤ. မ်ပကပလီၢ်ပသးတက့ၢ်. အဂ့ၢ်ဒ်အံၤ, ဖဲကတိၤဒီး ၁၆:၂, စံးဝဲ “ကယံၤပုၤကညိအကျဲန့ၣ်ကဆိဝဲလၢအမဲၣ်ညါဒၣ်ဝဲလီၤ. မ့ၢ်ယူၤစီၤဝဲအသးလီၤ.” တၢ်လၢယူၤမၤတသ့ဘဉ်တအိဉ်ဘဉ်နီတမံၤဘဉ်. အဝဲတပျဲအဘိမုၢ်ဆဲးလီၤစ့ၤလီၤဘဉ်. မ့ၢ်လၢပဟ့ၣ်လီၤအးလီၤပသးလၢလၢဆုဆုလၢအအိဉ်အယိ, ကယံၤတၢ်လၢပကူၣ်ထီၣ်ဖးလီၤခဲလၢလၢန့ၢ်အဝဲကမၤဘဉ်လီၤဖိးဒုန့ၢ်ပုၤခဲလၢလီၤ. ဖဲသယံၤဟဉ်သး၅ စံးဝဲ “ယူၤမ့ၢ်တၢ်ကပီၤဒီးတၢ်ခဲးတအိဉ်ဘဉ်လၢအပူၤနီတမံၤဘဉ်.” တၢ်ခဲးမ့ၢ်တြီၤမၤတံာ်တၢ်ပုၤဘဉ်ဆၣ်, တၢ်ကပီၤကမၤကပီၤထီၣ်ပုၤလီၤ. အဂ့ၢ်ဒ်အံၤပမ့ၢ်ပုၤဘဉ်သးဒီးတၢ်ကပီၤလီၤ.

တၢ်ထုကဖ်: တၢ်ကပီၤလၢနဟ့ၣ်ပုၤန့ၢ်မ့ၢ်တၢ်ကပီၤစီဆံၣ်လၢနအိဉ်, မ့ၢ်တၢ်ဒဲးဘးလၢပမၤမ့ၢ်တၢ်လၢအဂ့ၢ်ကျဲးစးမၤဟးဂီၤနတၢ်ကပီၤဒီးလုပစီနၤအယိမ်နစူးကွံာ်တၢ်အအံၤယံၤဒီးနတၢ်ကပီၤတက့ၢ်. ပကဆိမ့ၢ်လၢနဂီၢ်, ပဘဉ်အအံၤမ့ၢ်လၢတၢ်အအဂီၢ်ဘဉ်ဆၣ်တၢ်အတုးအိဉ်ထီၣ်ဘဉ်ပတၢ်ကပီၤဘဉ်အယိဒီးမၤကဆိပုၤလၢနဂီၢ်တက့ၢ်. အမ့ၢ်

October 2017



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| 1. His His Zan | Beh Lu |
| Thana Paw Jamons | 20. Johnny Million |
| Thu Doe Heh | Chai Yi Aung |
| Ler Pwe | Thaw Thi Paw Htoo |
| 2. Hai Gay Lar Soe | Rose Queen |
| 3. Lay Lay Zan | Moo Moo Thaw |
| Paw Eh Say | 21. Po Lay |
| Ywa Hay Blut Htoo | Nay Moe Aung |
| Anna Jarvis Htoo | Rozen Moo |
| Saw Nae | 22. Eh Ywa Htoo |
| 4. Tay Wah Dah | Kathering Kwee |
| Hser Moo Paw Dah | 23. Law Kaw Moon |
| Saul Lu | Effer Noble Gale |
| Lori Englund | 24. Thu Lie Tun Baw |
| Paw Way Kyaw | Philip Tun Baw |
| Lin Neh Htaw | Scott Nordstrand |
| 7. Thaw Eh Htoo | Htoo Lay Paw |
| Mya Nay Paw | 25. Kaw Thoo Lei Zan |
| Daniel Larsen | Veronica Ni Lu |
| Kyo Paw | Ler Paw |
| 8. Nicholas Dah | 26. Brbara Hope |
| Plar K'Paw Kue | Garnet Grayson |
| Kbrue Noo | 27. Nay Blut Kasuh |
| 10. Paw Wah Toe | Htee Nay Thaw |
| Lah Sha | Thai So |
| 11. Rosie Salinas | No Noh |
| Has Pu | Eh Taw Law So |
| 12. Mike Gilson | 28. Ruth Zaw |
| 13. Wai Linn | Mu Soe |
| Pinkie Lwin | Las Way |
| 14. Andrew Thein | Way Law Wau |
| Giri Kasuh | 29. Eh Mae Htoo |
| David Joe | Anthony Jamons |
| Jasmine Poe | 30. Mue Leh |
| Baby Poe | Si N Aye |
| 15. Sharron Nelson | 31. Lupe Snachez |
| Nay Tha Moo | Amy Aye |
| 16. Elizabeth Gregory | Paw Moo Lay |
| Eh Pho Say | Denny Porter |
| 17. Ehka Thawee Hku | Eh Say Ku Htoo |
| 18. Paw Eh Htoo Dah | Gay Tee Soe |

OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

Earl Swanlund Luchene Donazal
Mary Cisneros Aye Saw Patrick Junior

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Wednesday, October 4

7:00pm—Mid Week Prayer Service

Wednesday, October 11

7:00pm—Mid Week Prayer Service

Saturday, October 14

10:30am—Deacons Meeting

12:00pm—Council Meeting

Monday, October 16

5:30pm—Trustees Meeting

Wednesday, October 18

7:00pm—Mid Week Prayer Service

Wednesday, October 25

7:00pm—Midweek Prayer Service

IN MEMORIAM

We wish to remember especially these members and friends who have died during the month of September over the last five years. May God's Grace and peace be with their loved ones at this time.

Benhard W. Englund - September 17, 2013

June C. Haram - September 22, 2013

Kathy McGaughey - September 5, 2014

Howard Worley - September 11, 2016

Shirley Sweum - September 7, 2017

Mid – American Baptist Churches
Gatherings Sponsored by Mid – AB
Women's Ministries

*All men, women, & young people are invited
to attend!*

Sunday, October 15
Bridge Community Church, Albert Lea, MN
2:30pm to 6:00pm

Guest Speaker at both events:
Rev. Matt Lundgren,
Executive Director
Friendship House of Christian
Service
Billings, Montana

Cost: \$7.00 per person
Free Childcare for preK-5th grade at both events

Go to www.mid-abc.org to register
Reservations are due by October 1st

In Memory of
**Shirley Jean
(Lanquist) Sweum**

Date of Birth
February 26, 1921
Duluth, Minnesota

Date of Death
September 7, 2017
Bayport, Minnesota



Memorial Service
Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at 4:00 PM
The Johnson Peterson Funeral Home
2130 2nd St.
White Bear Lake, Minnesota

Officiating
Pastor William Englund



Family Interment
Park Hill Cemetery
Duluth, Minnesota

Shirley Sweum

Our Homebond Member
Briefly About Her

"Age 96, passed away 7 September after a brief illness at her residence at Croixdale, Bayport, MN. Shirley was the first child born to Reben and Tess (Vogel) Lanquist in February 1921 in Duluth Central High School in 1939.

Her first job out of school was in Duluth at Northwestern Bell working as a telephone operator. Then in 1942 a good friend convinced her to make the move to Tucson, AZ, where Shirley stayed with phones, but at the switchboard of the Southern Arizona Bank and Trust.

World War II cut that experience short as Shirley joined her Navy-pilot brother in the military by enlisting in the U.S. Coast Guard. Hardly commonplace in November 1943 the Tucson newspapers had articles about Shirley, "the first Tucson woman to enlist in the SPARS, the U. S. Coast Guard Women's Reserve."

Throughout her adult life Shirley was active at First Baptist as a committed church member but especially as one working preparing meals in the church kitchen and engaged in mission efforts, Sunday school, White Cross, and the Merry Marthas."

A photograph of a man and a woman standing indoors. The man, on the left, is wearing a white long-sleeved shirt, a dark tie, and dark trousers. He is holding a small green object in his hands and is smiling. The woman, on the right, is wearing a black sleeveless top and a grey skirt. She is also smiling and looking towards the man. They are standing in front of a light-colored wall with a door in the background.

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လီၤ. ပှၤကိးဂၤဒီးအၢၣ်လီၤတူၢ်လိာ်
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ဆုံလၢ်လံာ်အူၣ်သးလီၤ.

International Ministries works with the Body of Christ around the world to extend God's love in situations of discord, suffering and conflict.

“Jesus is Lord of our conflicts.”

Rev. Sharon Buttry
International Ministries global consultant for Peace and Justice, about her and her husband Dan's work with the Muslim community in Egypt



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ဖံဖံဒဲပ်ပနံအတၢ်စီၤအံၤအိၣ်ကျးလီၤအသးလာတၢ်န့ၣ်ကပၤ
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ကျဲးအဘၢၣ်စၢၤန့ၣ်လီၤ.

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- ဝံသးစူဟဲဟံဘဉ်လာပတ်ဘါယွဲသရီဉ်တက့ၢ်. ပအိဉ်ဒီးတၢ်ဟ့ဉ်တဆံးတက့ၢ်အံၤဆူပှၤလာအဟဲသီဒီးပှၤလာအဟဲသုးလီၢ်သုးကျဲလၢဝှံစ့ဉ်ဖိလ်အပူၤန့ၢ်လီၤ.

- ◆ Hope Community Church has begun worshipping in our building at 6:00pm on Sunday. We are excited to host this vibrant worship service that reaches out to young adults. At their first “official” service on September 10th there were between 250-300 people in attendance.

ဟိန်ခိန်မှူနထံဉ်တၢ်အိန်ဖိုစးထီဉ်တၢ်အတၢ်ဘါယွဲလၢပတၢ်
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လီၤ. ဖဲလါဖဲးပထုဘၢဉ်အသီဝဝအနံၤန့ၢ်အဝဲသုဉ်ပာ်ဂၢ်ပာ်ကျဲ
၇၁ဝဲလၢစးထီဉ်ဘါတၢ်လၢပတၢ်သုဉ်ထီဉ်အံၤအပူၤလီၤတံၢ်လီၤ
ဆဲးလီၤ. ဒီးပှၤဟဲထီဉ်ဘါတၢ်ခဲလၢာ်အိန်ဝဲ၃ဝဝ
ဃဉ်ဃဉ်န့ၢ်လီၤ.

- ◆ Some people from the 12 O'clock Karen Service will soon going to worship at Hmong America Partnership at 1075 Arcade St., MN 55106. Their new congregation name is Calvary Karen Baptist Church.

တယံဘိညာဉ်ပုဂ္ဂိုလ်တစ်ပါးက ညီတော်အဆက်တော်ကလေးတို့သည် ကိုးကွယ်ရာတော်ဆူမိအစေ့ရုံကို ဖူးနားရှု၍ အတတ်သွန်ထိုင်အပူလီ၊ အဝဲသွန်အတတ်အိပ်ဖို့ အသီးအမံ၊ မှုခါက ရေနံကညီဘျူထံ ဆိတ်အိပ်ဖို့ နှင့်လီ။

- ◆ We also voted to be a lead plaintiff in a federal class action suit against the action of St. Paul regarding the City's Right of way assessment program.

9:30am –Prayer Group

10:00am –Worship Service

11:00am – Sunday School

12:00pm – Karen Language Service

3:00pm – Frist Burma Christ Church

6:00pm – Hope Community Church