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Dear Sir or Madam

As an American citizen that has lived abroad for 25 years, I have faithfully submitted my USA tax declaration every year. This is an expensive and time consuming process. Only very rarely have I actually paid anything, and then it was very little, certainly not justifying what must be the expense of the IRS to even go through the process of analysing my return. It seems the only one benefitting from this law are the international tax consultants, certainly not the American people. From what I understand, America is the only country that has this double taxation rule. I have considered relinquishing my passport and becoming a German citizen but I simply can't bring myself to do it. Voting in the Elections back home is very important to me. Not only is this law a clear case of taxation without representation, it is also, in my opinion, a form of voter suppression. Citizens abroad from all other countries in the world are invited to vote, without having to pay tax in their home countries if they don't have residency. Why should the USA be any different??

Please change this law.

Thank you

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