

Statement of Congressman Ron Paul

United States House of Representatives

Statement on [HR 1424](#)

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Madame Speaker, only in Washington could a bill demonstrably worse than its predecessor be brought

The Federal Reserve has already injected hundreds of billions of dollars into US and world credit markets

One of the most dangerous effects of this bailout is the incredibly elevated risk of moral hazard in the future

With deposit insurance increasing to \$250,000 and banks able to set their reserves to zero, we will undoubtedly

The money for this bailout does not just materialize out of thin air. The entire burden will be borne by the taxpayers

As usual, Congress has shown itself to be reactive rather than proactive. For years, many people have been