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U.S. economy sizzles in fourth quarter, but many doubt full recovery is under way



## Money woes dog House candidate

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A Republican congressional hopeful in Tuesday's special primary has a history of being pursued in court by creditors, including the federal government, which claims he owes nearly \$1.4 million in back income tax. The controversy over his past



Lynch

has reached such a crescendo that Edward J. Lynch Sr., 44, has posted a lengthy defense on electlynch.com, his campaign website.

"I have been remiss in not responding to accusations regarding my business and financial dealings," he wrote. "This has created confusion and opened the door to false assumptions. I apologize for the grief this has caused my loyal supporters."

It's unknown whether the last-minute mea culpa and clarification will save or doom Lynch in the race for the 19th District, which encompasses the northwest corner of Broward County and a long western swath of Palm Beach County. He faces two other GOP contenders: Joe Budd and Curt Price.

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# BACK WHERE THE BOYS ARE

