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Wow! You guys have amazing gall, when the state budget is in such dire shape, to recommend such tax breaks for the rich. As if the regular people weren't already suffering enough! We are already heading toward third-world country status, where the majority of people are destitute and can't even afford basics such as education and health care. In such a situation, crime rates soar, public health suffers as diseases rage out of control, education is out of reach for most people, and the environment degrades as desperate people struggle just to subsist. You are looking to accelerate this process. More fair taxation? I think not. Fair is taking more from those who can better afford to pay; those who aren't going bankrupt due to high medical bills or being out of work.

I'd much rather head in the direction of those countries where everyone has affordable health care and education, crime rates are low, cities are clean, and progress is being made on reducing pollution and CO2 emissions. Those are places where the most well-off people pay much higher taxes. You may call it Socialism, but it looks awfully good to me, especially next to the mess in which we are finding ourselves.

Please grow a heart.

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