

To:

From: James Linneman

Subj: Any Tax Changes Must Help - NOT HURT - the Economy

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Fresno, CA, 93711

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We should not have to pay for the free wheeling mis-management of liberal legislators  
Sincerely, Edward R. Anhalt

Edward Anhalt

Simi Valley, CA, 93065

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From: Chris Morrow  
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I've been fortunate to remain gainfully employed by my planning, engineering, and surveying firm though we have reduced our staff by well over 50%. The proposed tax changes will add another nail to the coffin of the development industry in California and, I hope, this isn't the point of the Tax Commissions work efforts.

Sincerely,

Chris Morrow

La Mesa, CA, 91941

To:  
From: Anuj Bansal  
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Engineering and Surveying firms have been hit hard with the downturn in construction activity in the state. The BNRT will further compound the unfriendly business climate in California, leading to job cuts and even businesses relocating out of state. We need sensible, business friendly policies in the state, not legislation that is more of the same ... more and more taxation.  
Sincerely,

Anuj Bansal

Valencia, CA, 91354

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From: Steve Cowden  
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Steve Cowden

Orangevale, CA, 95662

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This approach is in the longrun the only what out of our difficulties. We can be pushed no further, you must begin to listen to the people who care about the future of this State. You can't keep taking from the people who work so hard to make a living in this depressed State.

Sincerely, Jim

Jim Solliday

Santa Ana, CA, 92704

To:  
From: William Beckham  
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To All Commissioners c/o Gerald Parsky, Chair:

Lower taxes stimulates economy. Higher taxes just kill jobs and business.

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In order to raise revenues, you must cut taxes.

Sincerely,

William Beckham

Fresno, CA, 93705

To:  
From: Steven Jankowski  
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To All Commissioners c/o Gerald Parsky, Chair:

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Steven Jankowski

Santa Monica, CA, 90404

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Harinder Singla

Fremont, CA, 94539

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Roger Grogan

Riverside, CA, 92508

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Rick Carlile

Santa Rosa, CA, 95405

To:  
From: Michael Viettone  
Subj: Sales Tax

To All Commissioners c/o Gerald Parsky, Chair:

Please no new sales taxes for Professional Engineers

Please do not add any additional sales taxes to my small busnisses. As a Professional Engineer in California for the last 6 months I am one of the unfortunate people who fall into the 12% unemployed. I cannot find new work for my company and the last thing that I need right now is a new sales tax on the small jobs that I am luckey enough to get. I have been living off my savings for the last 6 months. For the samll jobs that I am lucky enough to get from time to time I have been working for what amounts to minimum wage just to keep busy. A new sale tax on my busniss will just be one be one more nail in my coffin. If you pass this new sales tax I will be forced to sign up for welafare. I already qualify, but I have been trying to do the right thing and not be a burden to my state and have instead been draining my savings dry.

Please do not do this.

Sincerely,

Michael Viettone

Goleta, CA, 93117

To:  
From: Maureen Horne  
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San Bernardino, CA, 92407

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From: andrew yoder  
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Fullerton, CA, 92833

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Davis, CA, 95616

To:  
From: Bertram Schlosser  
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To All Commissioners c/o Gerald Parsky, Chair:

As a citizen and resident of the State of California for 39 years. As an elected legislator representing, we the people, I do not find your current trend to increase taxation of your constituents prudent. I highly object!

We have already seen an increase this year of \$12.5 billion. Companies have relocated to other states because of California taxes surpassing those in other states. We have lost jobs as a result of your oversight!

Doubling state gas tax, changing property tax rates to higher than we are currently paying, endangering taxes for employers and higher rents for small business is not my idea of representing your people!

Your focus should be solely on helping businesses grow and create jobs.

Please abandon your current efforts and focus on what is really important and helpful to all of your constituents!

Sincerely, Bertram W. Schlosser

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Carlsbad, CA, 92011

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Wagner-Kerr Associates, Inc. is a small civil engineering and land surveying firm struggling to survive in this current downturn of the economy. Any additional business tax would be a serious burden on our fight to stay alive while waiting for things to improve. Thank you for considering my appeal to not increase the taxes on our struggling businesses.

Sincerely, Jim Connella

Jim Connella

Agoura Hills, CA, 91301

To:  
From: Wayne Leach  
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To All Commissioners c/o Gerald Parsky, Chair:

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Petaluma, CA, 94952

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Sincerely,

Bruce Jarvis

Sebastopol, CA, 95472

To:  
From: Gayle Johnson  
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To All Commissioners c/o Gerald Parsky, Chair:

I manage a small engineering office of 20 professionals located in Oakland. I'm very distressed to hear that you are considering the enactment of a Business Net Receipts Tax (BNRT)- essentially a tax on services, including engineering and surveying services.

This is a terrible idea that will put all California engineering firms at a terrible competitive disadvantage against out-of-state competitors.

We compete with national firms, and cannot afford to be undercut in our rates because we are paying this extra tax on our services while other states do not have this. The net effect will be more work leaving the state, less jobs for our engineers, and less tax income for the State. This sounds to me like a lose-lose-lose situation that can't possibly be offset by the extra income you think you will make with this measure.

I would like to strongly discourage you from enacting this new measure. I think it is short-sighted and very dangerous, and will do incredible damage to our state economy due to even more job losses and lost business.

Please feel free to contact me at 510.452.0040 if you or your colleagues would like to hear from someone directly affected by this poorly thought out idea.

Sincerely,

Gayle Johnson

Alameda, CA, 94501

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From: Janet Kent  
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To keep families, jobs and businesses in California please decrease the tax burden on everyone including small business owners like myself and make California the state it once was.

Sincerely,

Janet Kent

Oceanside, CA, 92054

To:  
From: William Clevenger  
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To the Tax Commission c/o Gerald Parsky, Chair:

I wish to comment on possible legislative proposals to place a state tax on professional services. My business is already feeling the pressure of current economic conditions and I feel that now is the wrong time to tax.

California continues to suffer a significant economic downturn. Unemployment is high and I understand that California is 49th out of the 50 states for the cost of doing business, primarily because of the tax burden. And Californians have already seen \$12.5 billion in tax increases this year alone.

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I believe that California needs to focus on changes that will help businesses grow and create jobs - not increase the tax burden.

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William Clevenger

Escondido, CA, 92025

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Let's learn how to manage with the funds we have and stop the over-spending. Our State should be run like a business with financial responsibility, not a machine to overspend and levy taxes.

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Ric Donofrio

Los Altos, CA, 94024

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From: Joanie Valasek  
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Sincerely,

Joanie Valasek

San Juan Capistrano, CA, 92675

To:  
From: James Fain  
Subj: Any Tax Changes Must Help - NOT HURT - the Economy

To the Tax Commission c/o Gerald Parsky, Chair:

**NO TAXES ON ENGINEERING and SURVEY SERVICES.**

**This will HURT not help THE ECONOMY**

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James Fain

Sebastopol, CA, 95472

To:  
From: Steve Wilson  
Subj: Any Tax Changes Must Help - NOT HURT - the Economy

To the Tax Commission c/o Gerald Parsky, Chair:

I am the owner of a Civil Engineering and Land Surveying firm in Seaside, CA. We have been especially hard-hit by the economic slowdown because we provide services to real estate developers.

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When the economy does come back, we will be the first in line as the designers of land development projects. It is imperative that businesses such as this exist when the housing market re-kindles.

Sincerely, Steve C. Wilson

Steve Wilson

Monterey, CA, 93940

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From: Michael Flynn  
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I am a co-owner of a midsized engineering firm in central California. The national, and particularly the State economy has had a drastic impact on our business. We are doing everything possible to keep our staff, yet do to the economy we have been forced to layoff a significant number of employees in the last eight months.

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Michael Flynn

Fresno, CA, 93711

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Pacifica, CA, 94044

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Both bodies need to hear directly from taxpayers all across the state that any further increase in the tax burden will hurt, not help, our struggling economy.

Sincerely,

Harwood Hopkins

Cupertino, CA, 95014

To:  
From: Gina Cresse  
Subj: Any Tax Changes Must Help - NOT HURT - the Economy

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I am seriously considering leaving California, as MANY taxpayers already have.

Sincerely,

Gina Cresse

Acton, CA, 93510

To:  
From: Michael Prero  
Subj: STOP THE TAX INCREASES!

To the Tax Commission c/o Gerald Parsky, Chair:

When will politicians learn that my pockets are NOT bottomless! Any householder can tell you that when the money runs out, you CUT BACK ON YOUR SPENDING!

More gas taxes, more property taxes, etc. show a complete disdain for those people who are already paying for everything under the sun.

I'm looking at retirement in one or two more years, but my income is going down (my school district is bankrupt; I'm looking at a 14% pay cut; health insurance continues to soar; and politicians are continually coming up with more fees, taxes, and charges of all kinds. YOU do the math!

I and everyone I know are fed up with the whole system and how we are continually getting screwed!

STOP!!

Sincerely, Mike Prero, 12659 Eckard Way, Auburn, CA 95603

Michael Prero

Auburn, CA, 95603

To:  
From: Mr. & Mrs. Russell Moore  
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As a Small business owner, I have laied off all ten of My employees, leavung only Myself and partner to do ALL the sales and labor, thanks to the ever rising Overhead and outrageous Taxes. NEXT Step is to Close My Business and Go No the Government welfair line, Let the Government Take care of ME for a CHANGE... what happens WHEN ALL the Small Businesses go UNDER, WHO will Pay the Taxes THEN ????

OUT with the OLD and IN with NEW BLOOD...

Sincerely, Russell Moore

Mr. & Mrs. Russell Moore

Tehachapi, ca, 93561

To:  
From: Roland La Chance  
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Lecanto, Fl, 34461

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From: Laurie Abikasis  
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Laurie Abikasis

Granada Hills, CA, 91344

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From: William Seban  
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Carson, CA, 90745

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From: Earl Bettencourt  
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We don't need higher taxes. We need better control on how our existing taxes are being spent. There is a lot of waste in government spending. We need better oversight and accounting of government spending.

Sincerely, Earl Bettencourt

Earl Bettencourt

Sacramento, CA, 95819

To:  
From: David Thomas  
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Engineering and surveying firms are really struggling right now. Imposing a tax on services, such as the Business Net Receipts Tax, would cause even more layoffs and more lost business.  
Sincerely, David M. Thomas, P.E.

David Thomas

Petaluma, CA, 94952

To:  
From: Sandra Moore  
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Foster City, CA, 94404

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Richard Weber

Pacific Grove, CA, 93950

To:  
From: Richard Vaca  
Subj: Any Tax Changes Must Help - NOT HURT - the Economy

To the Tax Commission c/o Gerald Parsky, Chair:

State Legislation has to stop the free hand outs making this state the "Welfare Capitol of the World!" We need to start creating business strategy tax reform that will bring hard working people to this great state and stop the ridiculous welfare growth that attracts the dregs of society.

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State Legislators stop the welfare train wreck and turn this state around to a practical tax reform that will attract hard working business people which will generate JOBS and ECONOMIC GROWTH!!

Sincerely,

Richard Vaca

Gilroy, CA, 95020

To:  
From: Jorge Amely  
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Sincerely,

Jorge Amely

Simi Valley, CA, 93063

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From: Dina Rochford  
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Los Angeles, CA, 90034

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Sincerely, Patricia Wardlaw

Patricia Wardlaw

Spring Valley, CA, 91978

To:  
From: Hans Barber  
Subj: Any Tax Changes Must Help - NOT HURT - the Economy (that means the taxes  
MUST be lower, not higher)

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Palmdale, CA, 93551

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