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Commission,

Good to hear about the tax reform proposal via:  
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Reducing income tax and increasing other tax is good idea. Please reconsider Prop. 13 as well. If reducing State work force is within your scope please eliminate older employees not young. We are already borrowing a lot from future generations.

While driving we do three things: 1) use the road, 2) increase dependence on foreign oil, and 3) pollute the environment. So a combination of gas tax, carbon tax, and tax based on vehicle miles travelled should be considered.

Taxing unhealthy habit is important to streamline human behaviour. Please do consider increasing tax on unhealthy habits like smoking, alcohol, meat based diets, gambling, etc.

Every living being subsists on food grain. So please reduce tax on fruits, vegetables and grain farming. (Note: meat is not essential for healthy living.)

Thank you for your time.

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