

To whom it may concern,

As a tax payer and a young person with a long life to live in Australia, I am concerned about the tax system in this country and what the future holds. I strongly request you to take the current review opportunity to make changes which will contribute to a more just future for ALL Australian residents and our environment.

Please provide support for international implementation of the Currency Transaction Development Levy (CTDL) which would provide substantial additional revenue for the government to fund environmental protection measures.

Please reverse the trend to lower corporate and personal income taxes, which benefits the rich over the poor. The income gap in our country has become embarrassingly large for the so called "lucky country".

Please implement a taxation review to revamp its motor vehicle tax so that in future the rate depends on the amount of carbon emitted from exhausts. Climate change is not a vague possibility it is a certainty with its attached economic impacts that are likely to be even greater than the impact of such changes now.

Please do more to stop wealthy Australians from using tax havens to avoid their responsibilities. This country belongs to all of us, equally.

If you would like more background information, please look at the October NI Magazine <http://www.newint.org/features/2008/10/01/tax-justice/> and also their special tax justice blog.

Yours sincerely

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