



AMERICANS FOR TAX REFORM

LEGISLATIVE ALERT

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Dear Senator:

Your decision to vote against the president's budget and more specifically your opposition to his tax cut legislation concerns us. In the past our organization has written you offering an opportunity to sign the "Anti-Hypocrisy Pledge." The pledge would commit you to personally reject any tax cut passed over your objections. **When this tax bill (which you so very much oppose) becomes law taxpayers ask only that you refuse to take for personal gain that which you voted to deny to your constituents.**

Signing this pledge demonstrates your commitment to not practice rank hypocrisy. Refusing to benefit from the elimination of the death tax, the reduction in the marriage penalty, the reduction in personal income tax rates, the doubling of child tax credits and any other tax cuts that pass would show real leadership in opposition to these principles.

The politics of greed and envy have no place in this debate. The last four months saw an assault on the principles of democracy; wealth accumulation, the opportunity to pass along what legally belongs to you without punishment, and the comfort of knowing that simply because you decide to marry your taxes will not increase has led us to believe that you oppose the interests of most hard working Americans. Taxpayers deserve this tax reduction from a government that has overcharged them for years. Your opposition to all these principles is agreeable only if you sign the enclosed "Anti-Hypocrisy Pledge." Your immediate response is requested and failure to do so will signify that you are in fact a Hypocrite.