
Subject: away from the war

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first of all, duke, are you actually paying taxes, or are they taking taxes out of your paycheck which you get back every year?

that aside, i'd like to add my two cents on many issues brought up here, in no particular order.

clinton was partially at fault for the economy downturn since the enron scandal was helped along by him. bush and his whitehouse refused to help enron while clinton's whitehouse did. also, clinton started the anti trust suit against microsoft and a couple other corporations which i don't remember right now. clinton fell to n. korea's blackmail which is hurting the economy right now due to tension created. clinton turned away bin laden who(as you may remember) was responsible for planning the wtc attack. that attack hurt the travel industry and the airlines and caused tension which and also caused billions in extra spending and quite a few bankrupt companies.

reagan's tax cuts were partially responsible for the boom of the nineties because it gave people more money to spend and companies more money to spend on technology. because of that money companies had, they were able to invest in things like computer tech. bill gates is actually the one we should credit with the economic boom, but reagan's tax cuts helped companies and individuals to buy into "bill gates' new technology" (yes i know he didn't do it all, but microsoft's products is a good example of what caused the boom)

i completely disagree with giving tax rebates to those who don't pay taxes. when they did the last rebate, there were many people complaining the the poor people didn't get a \$600 check like everyone else. the reason they didn't get a check, is because they don't pay taxes so how can you refund something that wasn't paid in the first place?

the tax credit being paid to the poor is nothing but a handout. they already get many handouts... wic, foodstamps, section 8 housing, welfare, medicaid etc. all this is paid for by my tax dollars. now, they want to give \$400 more out of my tax dollars. i'm currently paying \$4500 per year in property tax(local i know but it still hurts) 7% sales tax, 32% in federal income tax, 6% in state income tax(i think, i don't remember the exact # for sure) gas tax, cigarette and liquor tax, etc. now they want me to hand people who pay no taxes a \$400 check! it's ridiculous!

i think it's about time that republicans and democrats would have the balls to stop spending my money on stupid shit!

in my opinion, the following things should NOT be supported by my tax dollars...

endowment for the arts - if an artist is good, he can sell his art. if not, get a real job!

medical research - private companies make all the money yet government pays out billions for the research. if they are gonna pay for this, government should get something in return like free prescriptions for medicaid/medicare patients.

bailout of airlines - again, if government is gonna give out 15 billion, they should get free tickets for gov employees and a guarantee of no more than a certain percentage of layoffs.

nea - this has got to be the biggest farce in government! billions spent on this bloated organization which does nothing to teach our kids. give the money to the states and demand certain testing.

loaning/giving money to any country which does not adopt the basic principles of the us. i'm not saying they have to become the 51st state, i'm simply saying that if their gov officials attend rallies

on a regular basis where the american flag is used to light their cigars... they don't deserve a check from us!
that's enough ranting on that subject, i'm sure i'd have more orgs on my hit list if i had time to read the budget this year.

again, i'd like to say that both the liberals and the republicans are at fault right now... liberals want to keep giving handouts to people who won't work and republicans are treating 9/11 as a blank check for everything they want to spend money on.
we need some responsible people in washington to spend money necessary for defense, cut in places where we are spending too much, and have the balls to say no to stupid programs.
