

## SUGGESTED REMARKS/EMAILS TO SEND THE SENATORS/MEDIA ON HOUSE FILE 194

House File 194 is a 20% discount on the income taxes I pay to the State of Iowa. I get to keep more of the money I earn and no one is hurt, so why won't the Democrats, Mike Gronstal and Joe Bolkcom, let the bill out of Committee for debate and a vote?

The federal government discounted FICA taxes by 30+% and the Democrats supported that legislation. So why can't the Democrats in the Iowa Senate, namely Mike Gronstal and Joe Bolkcom help all of us now?

Research from Iowans for Discounted Taxes, Steve Forbes, Honorary Chairman, shows that discounting taxes could create up to 18,000 new jobs in the first year putting many of the Iowans who are out of work back in good paying jobs. Why don't the Democrats want to help working Iowans?

Many Iowans, hurt by the floods in Cedar Rapids and Iowa City, or the tornado in Mapleton, are still trying to recover and would be helped by a 20% discount on their Iowa income taxes and a growing economy. Where are the Democrats, Senators Bolkcom, Dvorsky, Hancock, Hogg, McCoy, Dandekar and Seng, whose constituents still need help?

Discounting taxes works just like going to Target: Iowa's discounted taxes will help us retain more of our most productive residents and businesses while attracting successful residents and businesses from other states, like Illinois, which is raising taxes. In other words, we could rebuild eastern Iowa's flood damaged areas with other people's money instead of raising taxes on ourselves.

Government revenues can increase by discounting our taxes. The money from the discounts tends to be spent by everyone and changes hands seven times every 12 months. So the government will get seven sales taxes at 6-7% instead of getting just one income tax at 4% each year. Who is hurt by that?

Discounting taxes will help union members and their families, too. The Democrats can help: namely Senators Gronstal, Bolkcom, Dvorsky, Hancock, Hogg, McCoy, Dandekar and Seng. So why do they keep House File 194 buried in the Senate Ways & Means Committee when so many Iowans could be helped?

