

## Tax Code Changes = Jobs Created in the U.S.A.

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I find it sad that in what is supposedly the greatest country on the face of the earth we have unemployment currently hovering above 9%. Sure, economies like ours which are based on capitalism will have their ups and downs but it seems like there's something more that's preventing a more robust recovery. Perhaps it's because our tax code is RIDICULOUS compared to nearly every other country's code in the world, and it doesn't help our country's biggest problem now – a jobless recovery that's going slow (and sometimes stalling).

Since our current tax laws give corporations tax breaks for shipping jobs overseas, of course companies will build plants elsewhere and hire plenty of cheaper foreign labor – it just makes good business sense for them to do that. Let me ask this question though: why would we do that as a country? I know we want our corporations to be able to compete globally for business, but we've shoved good manufacturing jobs to the brink of non-existence in this country and that is why our economy isn't where it should be right now.

Since the U.S. is predominantly a service-oriented economy, we have **many** people working in jobs that just aren't right for them. Let's face it, some of these people are NOT cut out to do customer service work and it shows (ever hear how many people complain daily about poor customer service? – I complained twice today alone!). That's really not these people's faults – they're probably better suited building or making things. But where are those jobs? They are few and far between unfortunately for many U.S. workers. This is a direct result of our current tax codes.

If we just change that one law alone to give companies tax breaks for creating jobs here in the good ol' U.S. of A., I'd be willing to bet that this economy would begin to see some true growth again. Some people might argue that's protectionism, or that the U.S. is isolating itself from the global economy – last I checked though, the global economy isn't doing all that well either. Sure, companies would have to pay the American workers more than our foreign counterparts elsewhere, but we should incentivize companies to do this.

After all, we see the results of doing it the current way – and it isn't pretty for the U.S., is it? Just ask the millions of unemployed and underemployed people in this country what they all think – I'm sure they'll be glad to offer their opinions. Let's hope this proposed tax law change comes sooner rather than later – millions of U.S. families are depending on it.

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