

---

Subject: Re: The 800 teapartys today  
Posted by [Dover](#) on Tue, 21 Apr 2009 03:34:52 GMT  
[View Forum Message](#) <> [Reply to Message](#)

---

cheesesoda wrote on Mon, 20 April 2009 19:12 Well, the income tax is fundamentally illegal. The 16th Amendment was illegally ratified, and until that was ratified, you could not have a graduated tax. Besides, the tax code is an absolute mess... 62,000 pages.

The simplest and, quite honestly, best solution is a national sales tax. It's a Constitutionally legal tax (it's direct and apportioned), and the rich still pay more because the more you spend, the more you pay.

And see, you post what appears to the casual observer to be a logical, structured argument, but what I read is pure butthurt. Regardless of how it was ratified, it's been a de-facto law for so long it really doesn't matter. That the tax code is a mess is one thing, and I agree completely. That something so basic as income tax is illegal because of some retarded technicality 9001 years ago, and a little bit retarded.

Politicians like Ron Paul who promise abolishing income tax are a nice change of pace, but are horribly naive, and as someone who believes communism can work in the near future, I know a thing or two about being naive. It's a grandstanding move that screams showmanship, like a student elected official promising to abolish homework. In the same way you tell kids to stop bitching and do their homework, you should really stop bitching and pay your taxes, just like everyone in the civilized world for the past several hundred years.

But that's a different matter. Back on topic: The US has the lowest tax rates of the developed world, most protesters are getting lower taxes, and it's retarded to pin any of this on Obama since he hasn't actually raised anyone's taxes. People are quick to point out the "massive" government spending that our children will pay for, but for some reason don't like talking about Bush's massive government spending that's being paid for right now (Except cheesesoda, who as a non-hypocrite is more than happy to talk about it). Is there really anything else to discuss?

---