

Dear Committee

The best result that your review can obtain is that the Tax Act, becomes a clear concise readily understandable document. Also that the term "exemptions" is conservatively used as exemptions create an industry on their own.

G.S.T

The G.S.T should be reduced to between 5% and 7.5% and on all transactions. The only exemption should be on the sale and or the purchase of a "principle place of residence". To be eligible for the exemption you had to have lived in the house for a minimum of 10 years. I am not sure whether "Churches" or "Charities" should be exempted, this would be a political decision.

This would ensure a contribution from the "cash economy".

This would mean that "investment properties" would contribute via G.S.T e.g. Margin scheme, and may lead to the removal/ reduction of Capital gains tax.

This would eliminate the need for a first home owners grants because there would be no stamp duty or G.S.T on the principle home.

Obviously, the States would have to abolish Stamp Duty, a tax that was already promised to be abolished but never has been!

Personal Tax

A flat rate of tax:

25% up to \$200,00.00

32% between \$200,00.00 and 500,000.00

38% over \$500,000.00

Excise Tax on Fuel

Another tax that was promised to disappear upon the introduction of the G.S.T. With the introduction of the G.S.T across the board there would be ample funds to either reduce or eliminate this "double Tax".

Please acknowledge that the taxpayer is paying G.S.T on the excise duty.

Payroll Tax

Definitely should be abolished as it is a disincentive that stifles growth. As a company grows it pays more tax and the more employees it employs they pay tax and we ask an employer to pay a tax for employing more people so the Government gets more tax!

Employer Co. Contributions

There appears that there is "no paperwork" required by Employers, to be submitted to ANY authority that confirms that they are making co-contributions on behalf of their employees. Again this aids the "lost superannuation industry". Thus who checks that the employer's are complying with the legislation?

Thanks

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