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So, you want to pretend you are helping the young people by waiving stamp duty when they buy their first home, but then slam them all their lives with land tax on all properties, including their home, that goes up each year. At the same time, you want a reliable government income (from our taxes) so that you never go without? Like where is that fantasy land located and why don't all you Ministers go live there so you can get away from the reality we all live in?

If you really wanted to help young people acquire their first home, why don't you give all the Ministers of both State and Federal Governments a pay cut, like everyone else had this year during the pandemic, and use that money to pay for a stamp duty waiver for first home buyers? Why should the Ministers get pay rises more than anyone else and then go and waste the money on projects that no one uses?

Notice the government does not tell you how much MORE money they will make from extra land tax? How deceitful, despicable and greedy to even suggest this! So, you'll calculate land tax over a 3 or 4-year period (as you do currently) and have it paid annually so that it never goes down and only goes up!! Has anyone bothered to look at how the land tax value goes up while the threshold value hasn't moved in decades? The Valuer General works tirelessly to maximise property values so that they can literally maximise taxes and rape land owners' wallets every single year and now you want the VG to do that to everyone? Even poor first home buyers? Are you insane? How crooked are you? To apply land tax to people's homes is the epitome of greed and a precursor to a socialist government. The poor home owner is paying blood to repay the mortgage and you come along and take all the profits away? You do that now on investment properties and now want it from Mr and Mrs Jones too? May I remind you that this is a democracy and we fought for our freedoms so if a government like yours comes along and wants to take it away from us, we have only one solution. Get rid of the government (you guys) and replace you with one that actually cares about the people instead of its own Ministers always trying to make money it then wastes.

If you bring this in, you will destroy the property investment market. People will not bother buying a property anymore as there would be no more benefit to it. After paying Council rates and charges, stamp duty, land tax and now more land tax on homes? What's the point of buying the land? The government does not have the right to take ALL profits when individuals are investing and footing the interest bill. If the government wants the land, why don't we become another province of China? Is that what you want Minister? Don't give us BS tell us the facts! I'm sick of hearing crap come out of Minister's mouths every time they suggest a change and they sugar coat it to make it sound like we are getting something for nothing.

The State Government of NSW wants to raise more revenue by taking away signage in front of speed cameras. This is now the third time they are trying this. Don't they understand we already said a resounding "NO!!". Are you listening Ministers or do we have to come over there and sack you before you sit up and take notice?

All Government Ministers were elected to serve the people of this country; we are not here to serve you. Why don't you try serving the people for a change? If you were a private company you would be in receivership and we would have got rid of you by now. I cannot believe the waste of billions of dollars of Government revenue (both State and Federal) over the last 20 years and now you want more?? How many reports and projects have you shelved? How many bad decisions do you have to make before our people have had enough? You are only still there because most people are too busy working and are apathetic, and for some reason think that you Ministers automatically know better? I think not.

Perhaps we should make a law that recalcitrant greedy Ministers cannot re-table a draft bill if it has already been rejected within a ten-year period. Maybe we should just make a law that we can sack incompetent Ministers who are not serving the public interest or doing the job they are paid to do. Maybe that will make Ministers think a little harder and stop wasting people's hard earned money.

Maybe we should make a law that ties in any taxes to certified feedback measures that achieve specific objectives, and if the objectives are not achieved, the government has to pay the tax not the constituents. How about that? That would at least make the Ministers more careful when they take our hard-earned money. Then we'd get some real benefits to the community too, benefits that are tangible and not imaginary, like the motorways that no one uses and we pay 3 times as much for. In America all motorways are paid for by the State with no tolls. That's where people's taxes go.

Are you guys waking up now? Do you see what's going on here? Time for a change. Wake up and smell the humous. Our current system of Government with 3 tiers is not sustainable. It's been a please working with you but I'm afraid we have to let one of you go.

Time to draw straws.

Regards,

