

TESTIMONY HB 2763

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My name is Robert Holliger, I am a legal alien from Missouri. Thank you for allowing me to speak.

Your eyes are not deceiving you. Yes, I'm an old person. This white hair and baggy face is a dead give-away. For a long time my grandkids believed me, that I could remember when dirt was white.

Ladies and gentlemen, what I have to say comes from the heart, not the pocket book, as it is with all who came to support this legislation, HB 2763. I personally do not know of anyone speaking in support of this legislation today who is not a volunteer. We spend our time, our energy and our personal resources to come before you.

I am a long time supporter of the national FairTax legislation HR 25 and S 13 to replace the national income tax and to repeal the 16th Amendment to our Federal Constitution. I also advocate for the repeal of the state income tax. Folks, taxing income is EVIL. Karl Marx advocated an aggressive and progressive income tax in order to destroy CAPITALISM. If Marx was for it; then by gosh I'm against it.

For many years I was under the mistaken assumption that by simply expounding the benefits of a fairer, simpler, transparent tax system, all who heard it would demand change. Results were marginal at best. Many just said, "That will never happen."

As Americans we have lived with this EVIL income tax system our entire lifetime; therefore, we know nothing of the freedoms to be gained by funding states and federal governments without the heavy hand of government. Most cannot imagine **NOT** having their property confiscated, their private lives and papers invaded, and being forced to have their time and energy usurped to conform to the record keeping demands of this top down intrusive EVIL, EVIL tax system.

Who serves whom? Today, because of taxation of income, the confiscation of the fruits of our labor, government rules our daily lives and does so through intimidation. Show me the one who says the IRS and state tax collector do not scare them and we will have found someone who does not understand the power of government to ruin their lives.

Our Federal and State governments were created to serve us, We The People. Today, instead, we are forced to serve them. Taxing income is a culprit system. Taxing income is EVIL. You know, last Friday (March 9) in Wichita many of us, here day, heard Congressman Todd Tiahrt, a strong advocate of the FairTax, relate his experience with Representative Charlie Rangel of New York, then Chairman of US House of Representatives Ways and Means Committee. Todd asked Rangel to bring HR25, The FairTax, before that committee for debate and a vote. Rangel said no. When asked why, Rangel said, he liked the current system as he could reward his friends and punish his enemies.

My state's junior US Senator, Roy Blunt, opposes The FairTax. Blunt, freshman senator, barely half way through his first term, has gained a leadership position in his party. Why? I am convinced that one must follow the money. Senator Blunt is in bed with a DC lobbyist. No, not figuratively. He goes home and actually climbs in bed with a DC lobbyist. Follow the money.

Folks, the primary purpose of taxing income is not, I repeat, not to generate revenues for government. Taxing income is a command and control system allowing government to control its citizens through fear. One of the founding fathers said, "When the people fear their government, there is tyranny; when the government fears the people, there is liberty". Would Thomas Jefferson, a founder of the Democrat Party, say, there is tyranny in the country he helped to create? There is no doubt that he would say so and he would be appalled.

Representatives, you have within your power to remove this tyranny, this EVIL from your constituents and show the rest of the nation that Kansas government no longer desires to hold its citizens in fear of their state government. You are on the cutting edge. You are on the front line of this battle to return government to its rightful position, servant rather than master.

President Reagan said, **"There are no easy answers' but there are simple answers. We must have the courage to do what we know is morally right."**

I ask for your support and vote for HB 2763,

Your vote can be a vote against tyranny. A shot heard round the nation.

In Missouri, we will be watching and listening.

Thank you.