LOUISIANA'S COMEBACK A Tax Plan for Our Brighter Future

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Louisiana's Current Fiscal Climate

PERSONAL INCOME TAX

Income Brackets	Marginal Rate
\$0-\$12,499 (single)	1.85%
\$0-\$24,999 (married)	
\$12,500-\$49,999	3.50%
\$25,000-\$99,999	
\$50,000+	4.25%
\$100,000+	
\$4,500 (single)	Standard Deduction
\$9,000 (married)	
Tax Preferences	95

BUSINESS TAXES

Income Brackets	Marginal Rate	
Corporate Income Tax		
\$0-\$49,999	3.5%	
\$50,000-\$149,999	5.50%	
\$150,000+	7.5%	

Corporate Franchise Tax	
All taxable capital over \$300,000	0.275%
Total Business Tax Preferences	164

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PERSONAL INCOME TAX

Income Brackets	Marginal Rate
\$12,500+ (single) \$25,000+ (married)	3.5%
\$12,500 (single) \$25,000 (married)	Standard Deduction
Tax Preferences	Reduced

BUSINESS TAXES

Income Brackets	Marginal Rate	
Corporate Income Tax		
\$0+	3.5% Flat Rate	
Corporate Franchise Tax		
Repealed		
Total Business Tax	Reduced	
Preferences		





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Business Inventory Taxes

Local government tax on business inventory at 15% of fair market value with no exemptions, using the same millage as the personal property tax. State grants a refundable credit for taxes paid to local governments worth approximately \$280 million each year.

Personal and Business Property Taxes

Property taxed at 10% of fair market value using millage rates. Personal property homestead exemption of \$75,000 and up to \$100,000 in certain circumstances. There is no business property tax exemption unless it qualifies for the Industrial Tax Exemption Program (ITEP).

Sales Tax 9.55% statewide average

- State sales tax is 4.45% & avg local sales tax is 5.093%.
- 218 state sales tax exemptions and exclusions.
- 263 local sales tax jurisdictions.
- Local exemptions and exclusions vary by jurisdiction.

Government Spending

- Increasing faster than inflation.
- Weak spending growth limit.

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Business Inventory Tax

Repeal inventory tax and its associated state tax credit.

Sales Tax

- Reduce the number of exemptions and exclusions.
- Centralize sales tax administration.
- Streamline local sales tax exemptions and exclusions so all jurisdictions are the same.

Government Spending

- Pass responsible budget with stronger spending limit.
- Use resulting surpluses to reduce the personal income tax rate over time until it is eliminated.

