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IRS EMPLOYEES GOOFING OFF?

Two reports from the Treasury Department's inspector general found that IRS employee Internet use is "extensive" and "slightly more than half of it" was for "personal use." What are IRS employees doing on the Internet during work hours? Their personal use of e-mail was "significant" according to the reports, and even more appalling, the sites they visited were "devoted to stock trading, chat rooms, sports, sexually explicit content, and gambling."

According to Senator Charles Grassley (R- Iowa), "Some IRS employees are clearly goofing off." --- *Daily Briefing*, May 9, 2001 govexec.com.

The IRS is giving 47% incorrect answers to questions --- *Washington Post*, April 4, 2001

The IRS does not answer over 37% of taxpayer calls --- *San Diego Tribune*, May 28, 2001

Why is the IRS so notoriously unresponsive and inaccurate when it comes to answering taxpayer questions? We all know that the IRS has the unenviable task of enforcing the worst law in America -- i.e., the federal income tax. But did you get some bad information from the IRS the last time you called them about a tax question? Did they even answer your call? While we cannot know for sure, maybe it's because the IRS employee you were hoping to talk with was wasting your tax dollars trading stocks, checking baseball scores, or looking at pornography on the Internet. Who knows?

Why not put the IRS out of its misery? Let's get rid of the code! Support the FairTax!

Americans for Fair Taxation is a non-profit, non-partisan organization dedicated to replacing our federal income tax system with a simple, single-rate federal sales tax on the final purchase of new goods and services. Established in 1995, Americans for Fair Taxation is headquartered in Houston, Texas, with an office in Washington, D.C. It is supported by 418,000 members throughout the country. To schedule an interview with one of our spokespersons, ask for Genie Hayes or Katy Elliott at 1-800-FAIRTAX.

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