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Axe the Double Tenant Tax for Tenants in New Brunswick in 2010

Dear Sir:

I am one of more than 250,000 residents in New Brunswick that rents their living accommodations. As leader of your party, I am writing to you today regarding the system of double tenant taxation in the province of New Brunswick as it is unconscionable. I strongly believe, as do many, that a change is long overdue. Our elected officials must Axe the Double Tenant Tax in 2010.

The issue is simple: taxing twice those of us who can least afford it is unjust. Why is New Brunswick the ONLY province in Canada to continue the practice of double tenant taxation? Furthermore, why should I, who can't afford to buy a home, be taxed TWICE that of the average New Brunswick home owner and tenants living in the rest of Canada?

We are fast approaching Election Day, and the issue of double tenant taxation is one of enormous importance to me. Rest assured, I will consider this issue and any proposed solutions to double tenant taxation when making my selection for the next Premier of New Brunswick on September 27th.

For years candidates have recognized this issue exists in their pre-election campaign, but have failed to change double tenant taxation once in office. It is the responsibility of our government to closely examine and create solutions for an issue that impacts so many New Brunswick residents.

Housing is a fundamental need of every person in New Brunswick. Taxing twice those who can least afford it is simply UNJUST. The time for change is now.

Sincerely,

A concerned tenant and resident of New Brunswick