

## **Laughing about Corporate Inversions**

By Daniel J. Mitchell September 1, 2014

There's lot of criticism of the IRS and the tax code on the Internet. Indeed, I like to think I contribute my fair share.

But I'm surprised at (what I consider to be be) the limited amount of humor on those topics.

As I look through my archives, I can find only a few cartoons about the overall tax code.

Regarding tax reform, all I have is this Barack Obama flat tax that I created.

Here are a few cartoons about tax policy negotiations.

I found a bit more to choose from on the IRS scandal (see here, here, here, here, and here).

And I do have a decent number of cartoons about Obama's class-warfare tax policy (see here, here, here, here, here, here, here, and here).

But that doesn't seem like a lot, particularly since I've been blogging since 2009.

So let's augment the collection with some humor about corporate inversions.

But just like you're supposed to eat your vegetables before dessert, here's one bit of serious info before we move to the cartoons.

For those who want to see the Cato Institute in action, here are my remarks about the issue of corporate inversions to Capitol Hill staffers.

If you want to see the full event, which would include the commentary of David Burton and Ike Brannon, click here.

Now that the serious stuff is out of the way, let's enjoy some laughs.

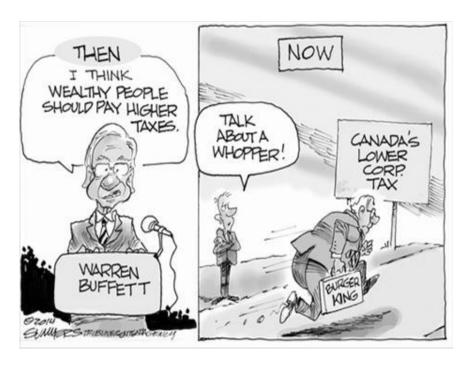
This Nate Beeler cartoon is my favorite of today's collection because it correctly implies that the entire U.S. corporate tax code is a festering sore.



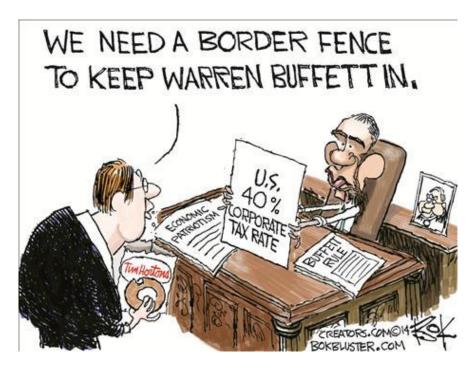
Michael Ramirez notes that America is the "king" of the wrong kind of realm.



Here's a contribution from Dana Summers, who cleverly mocks the grotesque hypocrisy of Warren Buffett.



Chip Bok addresses the same theme in this cartoon.



I can't resist closing with one additional serious observation. If we don't like our corrupt tax system, there is a very good solution.

Addendum: I forgot to include this example of death tax humor.

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