



# Iowans for Tax Relief

*The Taxpayers' Watchdog*

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Iowa Legislators return to work at the on Monday, January 11, 2010. Iowans deserve to have their voices heard by those they elect to serve them. We need your help to protect federal deductibility once again.

Visit our website at [www.taxrelief.org](http://www.taxrelief.org)

Click on "legislator lookup" for their email addresses and send them this message today.

**"No Tax on a Tax! It is not fair to pay taxes on dollars I send to the federal government. Please work to protect federal deductibility again in 2010."**

## What is Federal Deductibility?

### An Important Iowa Issue:

Federal deductibility may sound like a federal issue, but it is an important Iowa issue.

### Tax on a Tax-- It simply isn't fair:

Today, in Iowa we are able to deduct the taxes we pay to the federal government on our state income taxes. This protects us from paying a tax on a tax.

### Largest State Tax Deduction:

For many lower and middle income Iowans who rent their homes and can't deduct mortgage interest, federal deductibility is often their largest income tax deduction. For home owners, federal deductibility is often the second largest tax deduction.

### Backdoor Tax Increase:

Removing this tax deduction increases Iowans taxable income. With one accounting maneuver people pay more in taxes, without having to raise income tax rates.

### Polling:

A poll earlier this year shows 72.5% of Iowans oppose the repeal of federal deductibility.

\*ITR Poll, January 2009.



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