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Subject- opposition to Ordinance No 24-100

Members of City Council,

I am writing to voice my strong opposition to Ordinance No 24-100, a repeal of the city income tax credit. Almost every other nearby city has a 100% city income tax credit. You need to take a long look at yourselves and ask, if these other cities can do this, why can't Delaware? Increasing the tax burden on your citizens is the wrong way to go about this. Has the city economic develop brought in companies to the city that provide high paying jobs? We have at least two 'incubators' in the city for small businesses to grow and develop- are they bringing in talent to increase the income tax base? Here is a quick look at what other cities offer in terms of an income tax rate and credit:

City	Income tax rate	Credit rate
Dublin	**200%**	**100%**
Worthington	**2.50%**	**100%**
New Albany	**2.00%**	**100%**
Marion	**2.00%**	**100%**

Even Marion can find a way to offer a 100% tax credit. Why is Delaware intent on double taxing residents who work outside the city, which is where almost all of the good paying jobs are? The one nearby city that doesn't offer an income tax credit is Marysville. Take a look at Marysville and their school levy failures- is that who you want Delaware to emulate? This ordinance is not whats best for the residents or the city.

Thank you,

Travis Irvan