

# Tax and spend, SNP style.

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This is tax and spend, SNP style.

1.) The SNP's proposal to cut the rate of Air Departure Tax by 50 per cent is estimated to cost as much as **£189 million a year by the end of the Parliament.**

2.) That is more than the SNP government's attempt to deal with the education attainment gap, the pupil equity fund, **which has a budget of £120 million.**

3.) That's against a backdrop of **4,000 fewer teachers**, a teacher recruitment crisis falling literacy and numeracy standards.

4.) The Scottish Government's own analysis has shown, the effect of a cut in APD will be to increase air travel and associated greenhouse gas emissions by **more than 50,000 tonnes.**

It is time for Derek Mackay, the Finance Secretary, to drop this tax break for frequent flyers and instead focus on improving the lives of working families.

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