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With all due respect...What is the government thinking!?!?

Outside of generating more income for an already overpriced and overpaid government who, as is proven by them usurping the most coveted grounds of Hong Kong with the Taymore (Tin Ma Pier) sight rather than building a venue for the public to host events or special concerts, is so out of touch with the common theme's running through Hong Kong and the middle class citizens. The tax will only be burdensome to tourists, shop owners, increase already over priced rents and make life less free and more open to skewed governments trying to raise revenue to most likely pay for their castle in the sky offices they want to build with their egos, while hard working tax paying citizens wave the hands in the air and the government gets further out of touch with the true essence of what makes Hong Kong a unique city. It's people.

I'm disgusted by the proposal and think the government is simply riding on the coat tails of other cultures where the tax exists...but frankly from a consumers perspective the tax is nothing short of a pain in the 'you know what.'. I think the government should really take a look at itself rather than taking a short cut to burdening it's people with long term failed policies like these.

Opinionly,

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