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## Alec Baldwin Tweets A Tax Return Face-Off



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You might think that the hubbub over Warren Buffet's secretary and the Sage of Omaha's tax rates compared to the 99% would have "occupied" the bottom of the bird cage by now. See <u>Buffett's Tax Buffet Is No</u> <u>Smorgasbord</u>. But there are new twitters from 30 Rock out to the rest of us coming from an unlikely political source: Alec Baldwin.

New York State Senate majority leader Dean Skelos has opposed an income tax surcharge on top New York taxpayers. The

millionaire's tax is bad, says Skelos, where in Long Island perhaps that's chump change. But the Big Baldwin Brother who is decidedly in the millionaire club himself has tussled via twitter with Mr. Skelos.

Baldwin is more in the liberal political camp, and if that means keeping the millionaire's tax, so be it. That's so even though Senator Skelos accused Baldwin of being a hypocrite for buying tony New York property. And in true un-Buffet-like form, the actor has challenged the Senator to a tax return face-off. "I pay more in income txs in 1 yr that Skelos pays in 20" tweeted the B-actor.

Of course, there's always another side of tax issues, and it wasn't too long ago when the 30 Rock Star was in the news over whether New York City

could grab its share of Baldwin's income. See <u>Alec Baldwin Faces Tax</u> <u>Charges</u>. Still, that tax return face-off would be something to see, especially if it brings out a real mayoral candidate. See <u>Mayor Alec</u> <u>Baldwin?</u>

## For more, see:

Skelos and Baldwin Get in Each Other's Faces Over Taxes, via Twitter

<u>Alec Baldwin, Long Island lawmaker fight over tax rates for rich, public</u> <u>tax returns</u>

## Alec & GOP in war of twitwits

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