The entire wording of the First tax code shall be as follows

# First Tax Code

An Act to provide a tax structure to the new currency system.

#### Preamble:

Whereas the People of Rome now have an established currency;
Whereas the Treasury has an interest in providing an income for the Roman Government;
Therefore the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature, enact as follows:

#### Section 1: Taxation of Income

- 1. Be it established from this day forward, all incomes received by citizens of democraciv shall be taxed at a rate of 5%
  - a. Income will be defined as money givenreceived as compensation for goods or services rendered less interest paid on loans provided by financial institutions<sup>1</sup>.
  - b. This tax shall be paid by the first Monday of every month.
- 2. Tax is to be self reported and documented with the treasury
  - a. Failure to pay the income tax can result in forfeiture of assets as well as fines and penalties outlined in the penal code

### Section 2: Taxation of Corporations

- 1. Whereas corporations are not considered people, all corporate incomes received by citizens of democracive shall be taxed at a rate of 1%
  - a. Income will be defined as money givenreceived as compensation for goods or services rendered, less costs and deductible expenses:
    - Costs are defined as purchases of goods and services necessary for the provision of goods and services rendered by the corporation.
    - ii. Deductible expenses include salaries and interest paid on loans provided by financial institutions.
  - b. This tax shall be paid by the first Monday of every month.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Financial Institutions are corporations whose primary activity is to manage financial transactions (deposits, loans, etc.)

## Section 3: Taxation of Winnings and Investments

- 1. Whereas gambling is not considered income as defined in section 1, any winnings from gambling, tournaments, and investments, including those from interest:
  - a. All winnings from gambling and tournaments will be taxed at a rate of 10%
    - i. This includes losses, where a loss of money shall be considered a negative tax not required to be paid on a personal income tax
- 2. All investments and interest incurred will be taxed at a rate of 2.5%
  - a. This included losses, where a loss of money shall be considered a negative tax not required to be paid on a personal or corporate income tax.
  - b. Interest earned on savings accounts are tax exempt.
  - c. Interest paid on loans provided by financial institutions are considered a part of income and will be taxed at the personal or corporate tax rate, accordingly.
  - d. Investment gains and losses perceived by financial institutions will be considered corporate income as per section 2 and will be taxed at a rate of 1%.

#### Section 4: Tax Returns

1. The Treasurer or whoever acts on his behalf is required to provide a template for citizens and corporations to prepare their tax returns.