

# On Business

Just as companies *accept* their employees labor in exchange for money, they also *accept* their customers money in exchange for goods and services cooperatively produced by their employees. Companies do not and may not *take* their customers money. We must never forget these salient facts. Companies *accept*, they do not *take*. Conversely, governments do precisely the opposite: they *take* our money in the form of taxation, and they *take* our labor in the form of conscription. (They also *take* our property in whole or in part in many other ways.) It breaks my heart that my fellow human beings can be so bamboozled into believing that the institutions who plunder and pilfer them must be used (and has their best interests in mind) to save them from the institutions who do not. It's tragic, and that's today's two cents.