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How Audits Work in Real Life

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Corrupt politicians and bureaucrats are panicking.

O, the prospect of any significant shrinking of the federal behemoth!

Any significant rooting out of the corruption that benefits them....

Many combat this horror by flinging every fallacy in the book. Like the notion that Elon Musk and his team are unqualified. They ask, *is Musk a certified public accountant?*

He's only a mega-successful serial entrepreneur, not an accountant.

Monster Hunter Nation's Correia45 answers a slew of the

fallacies, not in the most genteel manner. Cover your ears if you click in.

First, there's nothing odd about an internal audit, which "is what Donald Trump (the man in charge) is doing now, by having his people (DOGE) audit the executive branch he runs. CEOs and owners do this all the time."

Nor need you be a CPA to contribute. That's essential for only certain types of accounting, which "isn't even close to what DOGE is doing."

Correia45, an accountant, has been on teams that included programmers, lawyers, machinists. Machinists because, when auditing a factory, "I could count the parts, but I couldn't tell you if the parts were b*****t or not."

Another thing: I can certainly think of reasons to have smart energetic young people on an auditing team.

But, contra some assumptions (based on the fact that 20-somethings are "who got doxxed first"), young people are not the whole team. *Newsweek*'s <u>list</u> of known DOGE staff includes persons ranging in age from 19 to 67.

And so DOGE goes. Godspeed.

This is Common Sense. I'm Paul Jacob.