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Increasing the Medicare levy low-income thresholds — from 1 July 2024

Restricting foreign ownership of housing — banning foreign persons (including temporary residents and foreign-owned companies) from purchasing established dwellings for two years from 1 April 2025

Clarifying arrangements for MITs — for fund payments from 13 March 2025

2025–26 income year

Small business and franchisee support and protection — \$12.0 million over four years from 2025–26

Supporting the hospitality sector and alcohol producers — paused biannual indexation on draught beer excise and excise equivalent customs duty rates for a two-year period, from August 2025

Supporting philanthropy — Organisations listed as DGRs for gifts received after 30 June 2025

Strengthening tax integrity – expansion of Tax Avoidance Taskforce, Shadow Economy Compliance Program and Personal Income Tax Compliance Program from 1 July 2025

Restricting foreign ownership of housing — compliance funding for the ATO and Treasury over four years from 2025–26

Enhancing tax practitioner regulation and compliance — funding to the TPB over four years from 1 July 2025

Increased support for apprentices — over four years from 2025–26

Energy bill relief fund extension — over two years from 2025–26



From 1 July 2026

New personal tax cuts — from 1 July 2026, the 16 per cent tax rate, which applies to taxable income between \$18,201 and \$45,000, reduced to 15 per cent

Supporting the hospitality sector and alcohol producers — increased Remission Scheme caps from 1 July 2026

Supporting tax integrity — expansion of the Tax Integrity Program from 1 July 2026

2027–28

From 1 July 2027

New personal tax cuts — From 1 July 2027, the 15 per cent rate will be reduced to 14 per cent.

Banning non-compete clauses for low- and middle-income workers — from 2027

To be advised Not known or not applicable

Amendments to existing measures — various

