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Treasury Laws Amendment (Cost of Living—Medicare Levy) Bill 2024

No. , 2024

(Treasury)

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1 **A Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to the**
2 **Medicare levy, and for related purposes**

3 The Parliament of Australia enacts:

4 **1 Short title**

5 This Act is the *Treasury Laws Amendment (Cost of Living—*
6 *Medicare Levy) Act 2024.*

7 **2 Commencement**

8 (1) Each provision of this Act specified in column 1 of the table
9 commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with
10 column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect
11 according to its terms.
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Commencement information

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Provisions	Commencement	Date/Details
1. The whole of this Act	The day after this Act receives the Royal Assent.	

1 Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this Act as originally
2 enacted. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of
3 this Act.

4 (2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this Act.
5 Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it
6 may be edited, in any published version of this Act.

3 Schedules

8 Legislation that is specified in a Schedule to this Act is amended or
9 repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule
10 concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this Act has effect
11 according to its terms.

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Increasing the Medicare levy low-income thresholds **Schedule 1**

1 **Schedule 1—Increasing the Medicare levy**
2 **low-income thresholds**
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4 *A New Tax System (Medicare Levy Surcharge—Fringe*
5 *Benefits) Act 1999*

6 **1 Paragraphs 15(1)(c) and 16(2)(c)**
7 Omit “\$24,276”, substitute “\$26,000”.

8 *Medicare Levy Act 1986*

9 **2 Subsection 3(1) (paragraph (a) of the definition of *phase-in***
10 ***limit*)**
11 Omit “\$47,956”, substitute “\$51,361”.

12 **3 Subsection 3(1) (paragraph (c) of the definition of *phase-in***
13 ***limit*)**
14 Omit “\$30,345”, substitute “\$32,500”.

15 **4 Subsection 3(1) (paragraph (a) of the definition of *threshold***
16 ***amount*)**
17 Omit “\$38,365”, substitute “\$41,089”.

18 **5 Subsection 3(1) (paragraph (c) of the definition of *threshold***
19 ***amount*)**
20 Omit “\$24,276”, substitute “\$26,000”.

21 **6 Subsection 8(5) (definition of *family income threshold*)**
22 Omit “\$40,939”, substitute “\$43,846”.

23 **7 Subsection 8(5) (definition of *family income threshold*)**
24 Omit “\$3,760”, substitute “\$4,027”.

25 **8 Subsections 8(6) and (7)**
26 Omit “\$40,939”, substitute “\$43,846”.

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Schedule 1 Increasing the Medicare levy low-income thresholds

1 **9 Subsection 8(7)**

2 Omit “\$53,406”, substitute “\$57,198”.

3 **10 Paragraph 8D(3)(c)**

4 Omit “\$24,276”, substitute “\$26,000”.

5 **11 Subparagraph 8D(4)(a)(ii)**

6 Omit “\$24,276”, substitute “\$26,000”.

7 **12 Paragraph 8G(2)(c)**

8 Omit “\$24,276”, substitute “\$26,000”.

9 **13 Subparagraph 8G(3)(a)(ii)**

10 Omit “\$24,276”, substitute “\$26,000”.

11 **14 Application provision**

12 The amendments made by this Schedule apply in relation to
13 assessments for the 2023-24 year of income and later years of income.