SALARIES TAX

Changes to Allowances and Deductions

	Present	Proposed/ New	Increase	
	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(%)
Personal Allowances:				
Basic	132,000	132,000	_	_
Married	264,000	264,000		—
Single Parent	132,000	132,000		—
Disabled	75,000	75,000		—
Other Allowances:				
Child:				
1st to 9th child				
Year of birth	240,000	240,000		_
Other years	120,000	120,000		_
Dependent Parent/Grandparent:				
Aged 60 or above				
Basic	50,000	50,000	—	—
Additional allowance (for a dependant living with the taxpayer)	50,000	50,000	_	
Aged 55 to 59				
Basic	25,000	25,000	—	—
Additional allowance (for a dependant living with the taxpayer)	25,000	25,000	—	
Dependent Brother/Sister	37,500	37,500		
Disabled Dependant	75,000	75,000		_
Deduction Ceiling:				
Self-Education Expenses	100,000	100,000		_
Home Loan Interest	100,000	100,000		
(Number of years of deduction)	(20 years of assessment)	(20 years of assessment)		
Approved Charitable Donations	35% of income	35% of income	—	
Elderly Residential Care Expenses	100,000	100,000	—	
Contributions to Recognised Retirement Schemes	18,000	18,000	—	
Qualifying Voluntary Health Insurance Scheme Policy Premiums	_	\$8,000 per insured person	New deduction ¹	
Annuity Premiums and MPF Voluntary Contributions	_	60,000	New dee	duction ²

¹ Effective from year of assessment 2019/20.

² Proposed to be effective from year of assessment 2019/20. The relevant bill is being considered by the Legislative Council.