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1) Reduce PAYG Withholding Tax

- The ATO are offering Each employer up to \$50,000 reduction on businesses PAYG Withholding Tax payments (Tax withheld from staff salaries).
- It doesn't extend to GST or Income tax.

Quarterly Lodges -

- In your next BAS (March 2020) you will receive a <u>rebate credit</u> into your ATO account of 100% of the total PAYG withholding for the period. **This period covers 1/1/2020 to 31/3/2020**
- In your following BAS (June 2020) you will receive a <u>rebate credit</u> into your ATO account of 100% of the total PAYG withholding for the period. **This period covers 1/4/2020 to 30/6/2020**

Monthly Lodges -

In your next BAS (March 2020) you will receive a <u>rebate credit</u> into your ATO account, of 300% of the total PAYG withholding for the month of March. The period covers 1/3/2020 to 31/3/2020.
This is to reflect that Jan and Feb IAS's have already been lodged.

Example Before Rebate

PAYG Withholding = \$10,000 GST Payable = \$18,000 **TOTAL PAYABLE = \$28,000 After Rebate** PAYG Withholding = \$10,000 ATO Rebate = (\$30,000) GST Payable = \$18,000 **TOTAL CREDIT= (\$2,000)**

- In your next IAS (April 2020) you will receive a rebate of 100% of the total PAYG withholding for the month of April. The period covers 1/4/2020 to 30/4/2020.
- In your following IAS (May 2020) you will receive a rebate of 100% of the total PAYG withholding for the month of May. The period covers 1/5/2020 to 31/5/2020.
- In your following BAS (June 2020) you will receive a rebate of 100% of the total PAYG withholding for the month of June. The period covers 1/6/2020 to 30/6/2020.

The total credit available for the 4 months is maximum \$50,000 total.

2) Additional Payments

To qualify for the addition payment, you must continue to be active (continue to lodge IAS/BAS's).

The PAYG withholding credits issued for the period March to June 2020 (as per point 1 above), will now be **duplicated** for the period of July to October 2020.

Quarterly

- 50% will be received on the 28th July 2020.
- 50% will be received on the 28th October 2020

Monthly

- 25% will be received on the 28th July 2020.
- 25% will be received on the 28th August 2020
- 25% will be received on the 28th September 2020
- 25% will be received on the 28th October 2020

3) \$20,000 payment to Employers with no PAYG Withholding Tax

• If you are registered as an employer, but are not required to withholding any PAYG Withholding Tax (this could be because your staff earn under the tax threshold, or you don't have any staff at the moment) and you qualify, you will

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automatically receive 3 payments. \$10,000 once you lodge your **March** BAS, \$5,000 when you lodge your **June** BAS and \$5,000 when you lodge your **September** BAS.

4) \$150,000 Asset write off.

- This is an extension of the current \$30,000 instant asset write off to assets of up to \$150,000 until 30th June 2020, allowing a tax deduction for individual items upto \$30,000. You are not limited to one item, you can have 10 assets under \$150,000 ea
- This allows businesses to fully deduct as a tax deduction, assets that normally need be depreciated over time.

It helps to reduce income tax and therefore you won't see any benefit until you lodge and have to pay the businesses 2020 income Tax Returns, & it also requires spending money on an asset in the first place.

5) State Government – Payroll Tax

• **NSW** - Payroll tax, for business with payrolls up to \$10 million p.a., will be waived (forgiven) until the end of the financial year which will be March, April, May, June 2020.

6) Other Items Apprentices

- Up to \$21,000 for employers of eligible apprentices.
- 50% of apprentice's wages for the period 1/1/2020 to 30/9/2020.
- Apprentices just be registered prior to 1 March 2020.

\$750 Support Payments

- People receiving Centerlink payments (including FTB) will receive <u>2</u> payments of \$750 each.
- 1st payment will be paid before 13/4/2020
- 2nd payment will be paid 10/7/2020.

Coronavirus Supplement

- Permanent employees who loose their job, casuals and sole traders who are currently making less than \$1075 per fortnight, will be eligible to receive a supplement payment of \$550 per fortnight for the next 6 months under the newly names JobSeeker Payment.
- Jobseeker and Parenting Payment, asset and income tests will be waived for the next 6 months.
- Register via your my.gov account or Contact Centrelink direct of you don't already deal with Centrelink.

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