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A. BRIEF NEWS DOCUMENT

1. *Resolution No. 198/2025/QH15 on Special Mechanisms and Policies for the Development of the Private Economy*

Date of issuance: May 17, 2025

Effective date: May 17, 2025

On May 17, 2025, the National Assembly passed Resolution No. 198/2025/QH15 on several special mechanisms and policies aimed at promoting the development of the private economy, including numerous tax exemption policies.

Tax exemption policies to support the development of the private economy

Accordingly, the Resolution outlines a number of mechanisms and tax exemption policies to support the growth of the private sector:

(1) Corporate income tax exemption for a period of 2 years, and a 50% reduction of the payable tax amount for the subsequent 4 years, applied to income generated from innovative start-up activities by innovative start-up enterprises, venture capital fund management companies, and intermediary organizations that support innovative start-ups.

The determination of the tax exemption and reduction period shall comply with the provisions of the Law on Corporate Income Tax.

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(2) **Exemption from personal income tax and corporate income tax** on income derived from the transfer of shares, capital contributions, capital contribution rights, rights to purchase shares, or rights to purchase capital contributions in innovative start-up enterprises.

(3) **Exemption from personal income tax for a period of 2 years** and **a 50% reduction of the payable tax amount for the following 4 years** on income from salaries and wages received by experts and scientists working at innovative start-up enterprises, research and development centers, innovation centers, and intermediary organizations supporting innovative start-ups.

(4) **Corporate income tax exemption for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs)** for a period of 3 years from the date of first issuance of the Enterprise Registration Certificate.

(5) **Training and retraining expenses incurred by large enterprises for SMEs** participating in supply chains shall be considered deductible expenses when determining taxable income for corporate income tax purposes.

(6) **From January 1, 2026**, household businesses and individual businesspersons **shall no longer apply the lump-sum tax method**. Instead, they shall declare and pay taxes in accordance with the law on tax administration.

(7) **Termination of business license fee collection and payment from January 1, 2026**.

(8) **Exemption from charges and fees for organizations, individuals, and enterprises** in cases where documents must be reissued or replaced as a result of the restructuring or reorganization of the state apparatus in accordance with legal regulations.

2. Decree No. 117/2025/ND-CP on Tax Administration for Business Activities on E-commerce Platforms
Date of issuance: June 9, 2025
Effective date: July 1, 2025

Starting from July 1, online sales will be supported in tax payment by e-commerce platforms.

According to Decree No. 117/2025/ND-CP issued by the Government on tax administration for business activities conducted on e-commerce and digital platforms by households and individuals, e-commerce platforms such as Shopee, Lazada, Tiki, and TikTok Shop will officially be responsible for withholding and paying value-added tax (VAT) and personal income tax (PIT) on behalf of sellers operating on their platforms.

Households and individual businesspersons are still required to issue invoices to customers. However, they are not required to declare or pay tax on the portion of revenue and tax that the e-commerce platforms have already withheld and paid on their behalf.

If the individual or household business authorizes the platform to issue invoices on their behalf under Clause 3, Article 1 of Decree No. 70/2025/ND-CP (amending Clause 7, Article 4 of Decree No. 123/2021/ND-CP, effective from June 1, 2025) and Point c, Clause 3, Article 4 of Circular No. 32/2025/TT-BTC (also effective from June 1, 2025), then the e-commerce platform shall be responsible for issuing invoices on behalf of the authorized seller.

The Decree clearly stipulates tax rates as follows:

- **VAT:** 1% for goods, 5% for services, and 3% for transportation and services associated with goods.
- **PIT for resident individuals:** 0.5% for goods, 2% for services, and 1.5% for transportation and services associated with goods.

- **PIT for non-resident individuals selling on e-commerce platforms:** 1% for goods, 5% for services, and 2% for transportation and services associated with goods.

However, the new regulation also imposes stricter requirements on individuals doing online business. Sellers must proactively update their personal information, tax identification numbers, and bank account details so that the platforms can withhold and pay taxes accurately, thereby avoiding potential tax-related risks.

Additionally, in cases where individuals earn income from multiple sources, they are still required to consolidate their income and carry out annual tax finalization as prescribed, to avoid back taxes or administrative penalties due to incomplete declarations.

3. Decree No. 181/2025: Purchases From VND 5 Million and Above Must Have Non-Cash Payment Evidence to Be Eligible for VAT Deduction

Date of issuance: July 1, 2025

Effective date: July 1, 2025

Regulations on VAT Deduction for Invoices From VND 5 Million

According to this Decree guiding the implementation of the 2024 Law on Value-Added Tax (VAT), for purchases valued at VND 5 million or more (inclusive of VAT), input VAT can only be deducted if non-cash payment evidence is provided — except in the following cases:

1. **Offsetting of payables (goods-for-goods or services-for-services):**
   → Requires a written reconciliation record between the seller and buyer, or among three parties if a third party is involved in the offsetting.

2. **Offsetting of both payables and financial obligations (e.g., loans or financial support):**
   → Requires a loan agreement, proof of fund transfer, and supporting documents.

3. **Third-party payments on behalf of or under authorization (as directed by the seller):**
   → Must be clearly stated in the contract, and the third party must be a legal entity.

4. **Remaining balance after offsetting still exceeds VND 5 million:**
   → This remaining amount must still be paid via bank transfer.

5. **Payments made to a third-party account at the State Treasury (under enforcement decisions):**
   → VAT deduction is allowed for the amount transferred to the State Treasury.

6. **Installment or deferred payments:**
   → With a valid contract, invoice, and subsequent bank transfer documents,

VAT can still be deducted (even before payment if the due date under the contract hasn't arrived).

7. **Invoices under VND 5 million or imported goods as gifts/donations:**
→ Bank transfer is not required.
8. **Payments made in the form of stocks or bonds:**
→ A sales contract must clearly specify the payment method.
9. **Employees (authorized) making purchases under company regulations, reimbursed via bank transfer by the company:**
→ The expenses must serve production or business activities and be supported with documentation.
10. **Multiple invoices under VND 5 million issued in one day by the same taxpayer, totaling VND 5 million or more:**
→ Bank transfer evidence is still required.

B. GUIDANCE DOCUMENT

1. *Official Letter No. 1629/CT-CDS 2025 from the Tax Department regarding coordination with tax authorities in implementing e-invoices generated from cash registers for household businesses*

The Tax Department requests relevant organizations (including e-invoice solution providers and service providers for the receipt, transmission, and storage of e-invoice data) to continue closely cooperating with tax authorities at all levels in deploying e-invoices with tax authority codes generated from cash registers, especially for household businesses operating in the retail and consumer service sectors. Specifically:

- **Proactively disclose information** about solutions and implementation services, as well as service packages for e-invoices generated from cash registers tailored to household businesses. Develop user-friendly, accessible, and reasonably priced accounting and invoicing software packages for each type of taxpayer; continue expanding promotional programs and offer free support for small and medium-sized household businesses.
- **Coordinate with tax authorities** in promoting the benefits, registration process, and usage of e-invoices generated from cash registers; assign personnel to provide direct or online guidance to customers at their business locations to ensure that household businesses understand and proficiently use this invoicing method, with an implementation focus during June and July 2025.
- **Strengthen information sharing and technical coordination** with relevant parties to ensure seamless integration between different software systems and the Tax Authority's data management systems.
- **Establish a dedicated technical support channel** capable of receiving and promptly resolving technical issues encountered by household businesses while using the e-invoice solutions.

- In order to enhance transparency, ensure fairness, and improve tax compliance, the Tax Department respectfully requests organizations to cooperate in supporting taxpayers in strictly adhering to regulations during the installation, configuration, and use of relevant software and applications—avoiding revenue misreporting and other practices inconsistent with tax laws.

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2. *Official Letter No. 526/BHXH-QLT 2025 from the Social Insurance Authority of Region XXVII on Guidelines for Registration and Declaration of Social Insurance, Health Insurance, Unemployment Insurance, Occupational Accident and Disease Insurance, and the Management of Social Insurance Books and Health Insurance Cards*

This official letter provides guidance on several important matters related to:

- Determining the place of registration for participation in social insurance (SI);
- The deadline for submitting documents to join compulsory SI;
- Applicable participants, contribution rates, and methods of payment for compulsory SI and health insurance (HI);
- Principles for the issuance and preservation of social insurance books;
- Issuance and validity of health insurance cards and initial medical examination and treatment registration locations;
- The deadline for reporting reductions in SI contributions;
- And new regulations on social insurance benefits that take effect from **July 1, 2025**.

Accordingly, regarding the subjects required to participate in compulsory social insurance (SI), please note the following key points:

- In cases where an individual simultaneously has multiple labor contracts with different employers, they are required to pay SI, health insurance (HI), and unemployment insurance (UI) under the first signed labor contract. However, they must still pay occupational accident and disease insurance (OADI) under each labor contract (as stipulated in Clause 4, Article 13 of Decree No. 143/2018/ND-CP).
- Even if the worker and the employer agree under a different contract name (not explicitly a labor contract), but the content shows the nature of paid employment and the management, supervision, and control by one party — such as workers in construction companies, restaurants, or security services — they are still subject to compulsory participation in SI, HI, and UI (new regulation under Point a, Clause 1, Article 2 of the Law on Social Insurance No. 41/2024/QH15).
- For individuals covered under Points a, b, c, d, and i of Clauses 1 and 2, Article 2 of the Law on Social Insurance, if they do not receive wages for 14 or more working days in a month, they are not required to contribute SI for that month. However, both the employer and the employee may agree to continue SI contributions for that month (new regulation in Clause 5, Article 33 of the Law on Social Insurance No. 41/2024/QH15).
- If, in the first month of starting or returning to work, the employee is absent due to illness for 14 or more working days, SI contributions are still required for that month (new regulation in Clause 6, Article 33 of the Law on Social Insurance No. 41/2024/QH15).
- From July 1, 2025, employees working under labor contracts with a term of **1 month to less than 3 months** will also be subject to compulsory SI and HI. Therefore, enterprises must review and prepare registration documents for such employees. If the employee is already participating in SI, they must additionally register for HI.

Notes on deadlines for SI registration documentation:

- Enterprises must submit SI registration documents for eligible employees within **30 days** from the date they become subject to compulsory SI participation.
- Monthly declaration files for salary adjustments and increase/decrease in workforce must be submitted **on time** (no later than the 28th of each month). These should not be left until the final days of the month. Large enterprises with frequent changes must not submit more than **three sets of documents per month** (except in special cases), and payment must be transferred **no later than the last day of the month**.
- For reductions in workforce planned for the following month, enterprises may submit the termination documents **as soon as a resignation or contract termination decision is issued** (no need to wait until the 28th). Subsequent adjustments in the same month (increases, decreases, or salary changes) may still be processed as they arise.

New regulations on social insurance benefits effective from July 1, 2025:

- The minimum contribution period to be eligible for a **retirement pension** is **15 years** (applicable from July 1, 2025).
- Employees who have reached retirement age but do not yet qualify for a pension or social retirement allowance, and who do not opt for a one-time SI payment, may apply to receive a **monthly allowance**.
- Individuals who voluntarily pay SI or have at least 6 months of combined compulsory and voluntary SI contributions within the **12 months prior to childbirth** are eligible for **maternity benefits**. The benefit amount is **VND 2 million per child born**, and also applies in cases of fetal death (from 22 weeks of gestation or more), or stillbirth during labor.
- Female employees who have contributed to **compulsory SI for at least 6 months within the 24 months** immediately preceding childbirth and must **take leave for infertility treatment** are also entitled to maternity benefits.

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