



AMENDMENTS TO THE INCOME TAX ACT

At the 13th session of the Legislative Council Meeting, held on 7th March 2017, YB Pehin Orang Kaya Laila Setia Dato Seri Setia Haji Abd Rahman bin Hj Ibrahim, Minister of Finance II, announced that with the consent of His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam, the Government of His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan has introduced amendments to the Income Tax Act (Cap 35).

In an effort to further promote trade and investment activities in Brunei Darussalam, the rate of withholding tax, i.e. tax imposed on the income of non-resident companies will be reduced with effect from 1 April 2017 as follows:

1. Withholding tax on payment of interest, commission, fee or other payment in connection with any loan or indebtedness reduced to **2.5%**; and
2. Withholding tax on payment of management or assistance in the management of any trade, business or profession reduced to **10%**.

These amendments are to be enforced starting on **1st April 2017**.



COLLECTOR OF INCOME TAX