

## Backgrounder: Team Ganley Tax Relief Plan

Under Kathleen Ganley’s tax relief plan, we would increase Alberta’s Basic Personal Exemption (BPE) to \$26,0000 — such that no Albertan living in poverty will pay income taxes<sup>1</sup>. The value of increased BPE will be phased out on higher-income earners, beginning with those individuals making over \$148,269.01 of income. Those individuals making more than \$177,922 of income will see no value in the tax cut, but they won’t pay more income tax either. The total value of the tax plan is approximately \$1 billion.

Under this plan:

- Roughly 150,000 additional Albertans living in poverty will pay no income tax at all.
- An additional 2.5 million Albertans will receive the full tax cut, totalling a little over \$400 per person annually.
- The value of the increased BPE will be phased out on Albertans earning over \$148,000. But under this plan, no Albertan will pay more tax.

Side-by-Side Comparison (Tax Year 2024)				
Current Structure		Ganley Plan		
Range	Rate	Range	Rate	Notes
\$0 - \$21,885	0%	\$0 - \$26,000	0%	Pays no tax
\$21,885.01 - \$148,269	10%	\$26,000.01 - \$148,269	10%	Receives full value, \$411.50
\$148,269.01 - \$177,922	12%	\$148,269.01 - \$177,922	12%	Receives partial value, amount up to \$411.49*
\$177,922.01 - \$237,230	13%	\$177,922.01 - \$237,230	13%	Value Fully Phased Out**
\$237,230.01 to \$355,845	14%	\$237,230.01 to \$355,845	14%	Value Fully Phased Out**
\$355,845.01	15%	\$355,845.01	15%	Value Fully Phased Out*
		* Approximately 80,000 Albertans in this bracket. ** Approximately 150,000 Albertans in these brackets.		

<sup>1</sup> . Low-income cut-offs (LICOs) before and after tax by community size and family size, in current dollars. Ottawa, ON: Statistics Canada. Retrieved from <https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/t1/tbl1/en/tv.action?pid=1110024101>