2024 Presidential Candidates' Tax Proposals: Comparison and Contrast

TOPIC	CURRENT LAW	HARRIS POSITION	TRUMP POSITION
Income Tax Rates	 Tax brackets of 10%-37% through 2025 under TCJA Tax brackets of 10%-39.6% after TCJA expiration in 2026 	 Increase top tax rate back to 39.6%. No tax rate increase for taxpayers under \$400,000 	Make TCJA provisions permanent
Capital Gains/Dividends	Capital gains rates of 0%, 15%, and 20%Net investment income tax of 3.8%	 Increase top capital gain rate to 28% Increase net investment income tax rate to 5% 	No current proposals
Billionaire Minimum Tax	No current policy	Supports billionaire minimum tax	No current proposals
Child Tax Incentives	 Credit of \$2,000 through 2025, partially refundable, under TCJA Credit of \$1,000 after TCJA expiration in 2026 	 Restore \$3,600 credit that was available in 2021. New \$6,000 credit for families with infants under age one 	Make TCJA provisions permanent
Estate Tax	 Exclusion of \$13.6M under TCJA Absent TCJA, exclusion would be about half at \$6.8M 	No current proposals	Make TCJA provisions permanent
Corporate Tax Rate	• Current rate of 21% as set by TCJA. Formerly up to 35%.	• Increase tax rate to 28%	• Suggested lowering tax rate to 20% or 15%
Small Business Startup Cr	 \$5,000 current deduction for start- up & organizational costs. Expenses over \$5,000 amortized 	 \$50,000 current deduction for start- ups Establish standard small business deduction 	No current proposals
Tariffs	Several tariffs currently on Chinese products under Biden/Harris admin, includes 100% tariff on electric vehicles	• 50% tariff on Chinese semiconductors under Biden/Harris admin in 2025	 60% tariff on Chinese imports 10% universal tariff 10%-20% tariff on countries unfairly taking advantage of U.S.
Miscellaneous		Supports elimination of tax on tips Proposed expansion of the Earned Income Tax Credit	Proposed elimination of tax on tips Proposed allowing taxpayers to deduct the cost of generators Proposed making interest on automobile loans tax deductible Proposed elimination of tax on overtime pay Proposed elimination of tax on Social Security benefits Proposed end of "double taxation" of U.S. citizens abroad Would consider allowing active military, veterans, police, and firefighters to be tax exempt Discussed eliminating income tax altogether for a tariff-based tax system