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## **Draft Taxation Determination**

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1. No. Fringe benefits tax is imposed on the taxable value of fringe benefits provided to employees of the taxpayer (or their associates). The *Fringe Benefits Tax Assessment Act 1986* defines the classes of fringe benefits which are subject to the tax and describes the calculation of the relevant taxable values.

2. Whether the employer obtains a tax deduction for expenditure incurred in providing a fringe benefit is irrelevant in determining the status of the benefit under the Act or in the calculation of its taxable value.

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