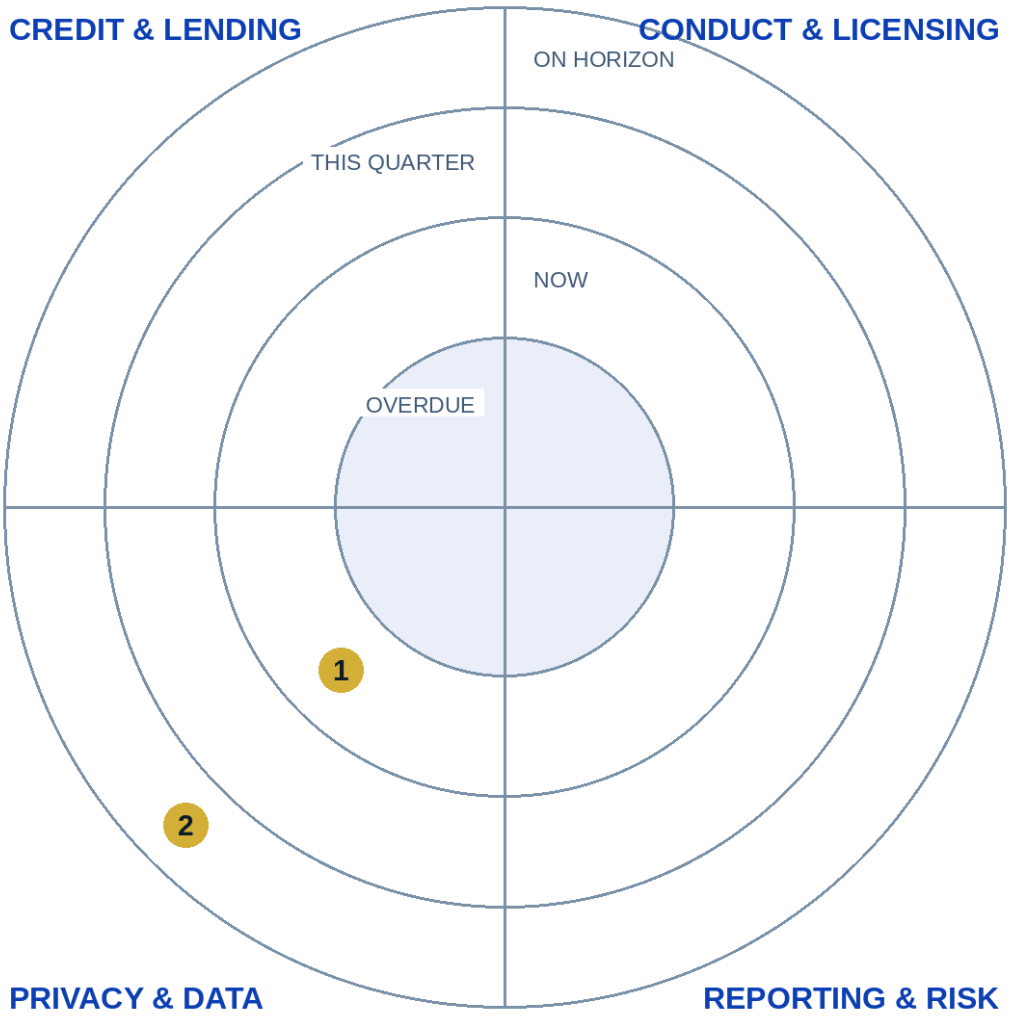
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What's moving on the horizon for these firms and what it quietly breaks.

LEAD SIGNALS

APRA and ASIC now want frontier AI cyber risk handled with tested playbooks, not awareness. Access to director details on the companies register is also being tiered from mid-2027, which reaches every verification workflow that pulls it.



ANGLE = CATEGORY · DISTANCE FROM CENTRE = WHEN IT BITES · SIZE & COLOUR = SEVERITY

1 **PRIVACY & DATA** · NOW **MEDIUM**

Regulators want AI cyber plans tested

WHO: CISOs and privacy officers at regulated financial firms

WHAT: incident playbooks, escalation paths and third-party maps never tested at the speed of AI-enabled attacks

WHEN: Board checklist published. APRA and ASIC point to existing standards, so the test is evidence, not new rules.

SOURCE: apra.gov.au

2 **PRIVACY & DATA** · ON HORIZON **MEDIUM**

Company register access is being tiered

WHO: data and privacy teams whose workflows rely on companies register data

WHAT: KYC, credit and collections workflows that pull director details from open register searches

WHEN: Proposed, not final. Consultation closed 12 October; new access settings planned from 1 July 2027, fully in place by 1 August 2028.

SOURCE: asic.gov.au

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