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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ALTERNATE ENERGY DEVELOPERS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1	SECTION 1. Chapter 235, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3	and to read as follows:
4	"§235- Alternate energy developer tax credit. (a)
5	There shall be allowed to each individual or corporate taxpayer
6	who is subject to the taxes imposed by this chapter and who is
7	not otherwise eligible to be claimed as a dependent for federal
8	or state income taxes by another, an alternate energy developer
9	tax credit.
10	(b) The tax credit shall be equal to per cent of
11	the qualifying costs incurred by a developer of alternate
12	energy.
13	(c) The tax credit allowable under this section shall be
14	claimed against the net income tax liability, if any, imposed by
15	this chapter for the taxable year in which the credit is
16	properly claimed; provided that that the qualifying costs
17	claimed under this section shall not apply to any other tax
18	credit, tax deduction, or any other tax incentive allowed under

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    title 14.
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         (d) If the tax credit under this section exceeds the
    taxpayer's income tax liability, the excess of credit over
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    liability may be used as a credit against the taxpayer's income
    tax liability in subsequent years until exhausted.
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         (e) All claims, including amended claims, for a tax credit
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    under this section shall be filed on or before the end of the
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    twelfth month following the close of the taxable year for which
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    the credit may be claimed. Failure to comply with the foregoing
    provision shall constitute a waiver of the right to claim the
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    credit.
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         (f) The director of taxation:
              Shall prepare any forms that may be necessary to claim
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              a tax credit under this section;
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              May require the taxpayer to furnish information to
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              ascertain the validity of the claim for the credit
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              made under this section; and
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              May adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91 to effectuate
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              this section.
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              For the purposes of this section:
         (g)
         "Alternate energy" means energy produced from a source or
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    uses a process that does not use fossil fuels or nuclear fuels,
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- including sources such as solid waste, wind, geothermal, solar, 1
- ocean waves, tides or currents, and processes such as bio-2
- 3 conversion, hydro-electric power, thermal conversion, or
- osmosis, but not including nuclear fission. 4
- "Qualifying costs" means costs incurred by a taxpayer that 5
- is at least \$ in the year the tax credit is claimed 6
- 7 and used to develop alternate energy in the State.
- 8 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.
- SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval 9
- and apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2006. 10

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Report Title:

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Description:

Provides a tax credit to developers of alternate energy.