HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE, 2007 STATE OF HAWAII

H.B. NO. 924

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO A COLLEGE SAVINGS PROGRAM TAX CREDIT.

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

| 1 | SECTION 1. Chapter 235, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is |
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| 2 | amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated |
| 3 | and to read as follows: |
| 4 | " <u>§235-</u> College savings program tax credit. (a) There |
| 5 | shall be allowed to each taxpayer subject to the tax imposed |
| 6 | under this chapter, a college savings program tax credit equal |
| 7 | to the amount determined under subsections (b), (c), and (d). |
| 8 | The tax credit shall apply to any contribution made on or after |
| 9 _. | January 1, 2009, and before January 1, 2014, to the account of a |
| 10 | designated beneficiary in the Hawaii college savings program |
| 11 | under chapter 256; provided that the credit shall not apply to |
| 12 | contributions rolled over from another account or any other |
| 13 | source. |
| 14 | (b) For taxpayers filing jointly, the tax credit shall be |
| 15 | the following amounts of the taxpayers' adjusted gross income: |
| 16 | If the adjusted gross income is: The tax credit shall be: |
| 17 | Less than \$% of the amount |
| 18 | contributed |



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| 1 | | \$ or more, | % of the amount |
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| 2 | | but less than | \$ <u>contributed</u> |
| 3 | | \$ or more, | % of the amount |
| 4 | | but less than | \$ <u>contributed</u> |
| 5 | | \$ or more, | % of the amount |
| 6 | | | contributed. |
| 7 | (C) | For taxpayers filin | g individually, the tax credit |
| 8 | shall be | the following amount | s of the taxpayers' adjusted gross |
| 9 | income: | | |
| 10 | If th | he adjusted gross in | come is: The tax credit shall be: |
| 11 | | Less than \$ | % of the amount |
| 12 | | | contributed |
| 13 | | \$ or more, | % of the amount |
| 14 | | but less than | \$ <u>contributed</u> |
| 15 | | \$ or more, | % of the amount |
| 16 | | but less than | \$ <u>contributed</u> |
| 17 | | \$ or more, | % of the amount |
| 18 | | | contributed. |
| 19 | (d) | For taxpayers filir | g as head of household, the tax |
| 20 | credit sh | | amounts of the taxpayers' adjusted |
| 21 | gross inc | | |
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| 1 | If the adjusted gross income is: The tax credit shall be: |
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| 2 | Less than \$ % of the amount |
| 3 | contributed |
| 4 | \$ or more, % of the amount |
| 5 | but less than \$ contributed |
| 6 | \$ or more, % of the amount |
| 7 | but less than \$ contributed |
| 8 | \$ or more, % of the amount |
| 9 | contributed. |
| 10 | (e) The amount of the tax credit taken shall not exceed |
| 11 | \$500 for contributions made on behalf of each designated |
| 12 | beneficiary during each taxable year. |
| 13 | (f) For purposes of this section, the term "designated |
| 14 | beneficiary" shall have the same meaning as in section 256-1. |
| 15 | (g) No tax credit shall be allowed under this section for |
| 16 | any contribution made on behalf of any designated beneficiary |
| 17 | when the value of the beneficiary's account at the time of the |
| 18 | contribution equals or exceeds the maximum investment level |
| 19 | referred to under section 256-4(1). |
| 20 | (h) The tax imposed by this part for the taxable year |
| 21 | shall be increased by an amount equal to the tax credit allowed |
| 22 | under subsection (a) for that taxable year and all prior taxable |
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| 1 | years for contributions made by the taxpayer to a Hawaii college |
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| 2 | savings program account when: |
| 3 | (1) The taxpayer cancels the tuition savings agreement |
| 4 | under chapter 256; or |
| 5 | (2) The taxpayer makes a nonqualified withdrawal as |
| 6 | defined in section 256-1. |
| 7 | (i) The director of taxation shall prepare such forms as |
| 8 | may be necessary to claim a credit under this section, may |
| 9 | require proof of the claim for the tax credit, and may adopt |
| 10 | rules pursuant to chapter 91 to effectuate this section. |
| 11 | (j) Claims for the tax credit under this section, |
| 12 | including any amended claims thereof, shall be filed on or |
| 13 | before the end of the twelfth month following the taxable year |
| 14 | for which the credit may be claimed. Failure to properly and |
| 15 | timely claim the credit shall constitute a waiver of the right |
| 16 | to claim the credit. |
| 17 | (k) If the tax credit under this section exceeds the |
| 18 | taxpayer's income tax liability, the excess of credit over |
| 19 | liability may be used as a credit against the taxpayer's income |
| 20 | tax liability in subsequent years until exhausted." |
| 21 | SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored. |



SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval
and shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31,
2008.

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Description:

Establishes a college savings program tax credit.

