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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION TO REPORT THE FISCAL
IMPACT AND RATE OF USAGE BY TAXPAYERS OF VARIOUS TAX
CREDITS AND EXEMPTIONS UNDER CHAPTERS 235, 237, 239, AND
244D, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES.

1 WHEREAS, in assessing the effectiveness and efficiency of
2 any tax credit or exemption it is necessary to examine the
3 fiscal impact and rate of usage by taxpayers of the tax credit
4 and exemption; and

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6 WHEREAS, tax credits and exemptions have an important and
7 dramatic impact on the economy for the State of Hawaii; and

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9 WHEREAS, the Department of Taxation has not submitted any,
10 or at least an updated, fiscal impact statement and rate of
11 usage by Hawaii's taxpayers of certain tax credits and
12 exemptions listed under chapters 235, 237, 239, and 244D, Hawaii
13 Revised Statutes; and

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15 WHEREAS, the Legislature would benefit greatly from a
16 report by the Department of Taxation that analyzes the fiscal
17 impact of certain tax credits and exemptions on the economy of
18 the State of Hawaii and its taxpayers; now, therefore,

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20 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-fourth
21 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2008, the
22 House of Representatives concurring, that the Department of
23 Taxation is requested to review the fiscal impact and rate of
24 usage by taxpayers of various tax credits and exemptions under
25 chapters 235, 237, 239, and 244D, Hawaii Revised Statutes; and

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27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Taxation is
28 requested to report on the fiscal impact and rate of usage by
29 taxpayers of the following tax credits and exemptions listed
30 under chapters 235, 237, 239, and 244D, Hawaii Revised Statutes:

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- 1 (1) Section 235-9.5 (stock options from qualified high
2 technology businesses excluded from taxation);
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- 4 (2) Section 237-16.8 (general excise tax; exemption of
5 certain convention, conference, and trade show fees);
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- 7 (3) Section 237-23 (general excise tax; exemptions,
8 persons exempt, applications for exemption);
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- 10 (4) Section 237-23.5 (general excise tax; related
11 entities; common paymaster; certain exempt
12 transactions);
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- 14 (5) Section 237-24 (general excise tax; amounts not
15 taxable);
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- 17 (6) Section 237-24.3 (general excise tax; additional
18 amounts not taxable);
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- 20 (7) Section 237-24.5 (general excise tax; additional
21 exemptions);
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- 23 (8) Section 237-24.7 (general excise tax; additional
24 amounts not taxable);
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- 26 (9) Section 237-24.75 (general excise tax; additional
27 exemptions);
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- 29 (10) Section 237-24.9 (general excise tax; aircraft service
30 and maintenance facility);
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- 32 (11) Section 237-25 (general excise tax; exemptions of
33 sales and gross proceeds of sales to federal
34 government, and credit unions);
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- 36 (12) Section 237-26 (general excise tax; exemption of
37 certain scientific contracts with the United States);
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- 39 (13) Section 237-27 (general excise tax; exemption of
40 certain petroleum refiners);
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- 42 (14) Section 237-27.5 (general excise tax; air pollution
43 control facility);
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- 1 (15) Section 237-27.6 (general excise tax; solid waste
2 processing, disposal, and electric generating
3 facility; certain amounts exempt);
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- 5 (16) Section 237-28.1 (general excise tax; exemption of
6 certain shipbuilding and ship repair business);
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- 8 (17) Section 237-29 (general excise tax; exemptions for
9 certified or approved housing projects);
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- 11 (18) Section 237-29.5 (general excise tax; exemption for
12 sales of tangible personal property shipped out of the
13 State);
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- 15 (19) Section 237-29.53 (general excise tax; exemption for
16 contracting or services exported out of State);
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- 18 (20) Section 237-29.55 (general excise tax; exemption for
19 sale of tangible personal property for resale at
20 wholesale);
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- 22 (21) Section 237-29.8 (general excise tax; call centers;
23 exemption; engaging in business; definitions);
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- 25 (22) Section 239-6.5 (public service company tax; tax
26 credit for lifeline telephone service subsidy);
27
- 28 (23) Section 239-12 (public service company tax; call
29 centers; exemption; engaging in business;
30 definitions); and
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- 32 (24) Section 244D-4.3 (liquor tax; exemption for sales of
33 liquor out of the State); and
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35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Taxation is
36 requested to report its findings regarding the fiscal impact and
37 rate of usage by taxpayers of the tax credits and exemptions
38 listed above to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior
39 to the convening of the 2009 Regular Session; and
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
2 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor of the
3 State of Hawaii and the Director of Taxation.
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