

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1196

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 09 2009

RE: H.B. No. 1495
H.D. 1
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 1495, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE INCOME TAX,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to repeal the income tax deduction for wagering losses.

One private organization submitted comments on this measure. Written comments may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that the current economic difficulties faced by the State make it untenable to continue to allow the deduction of wagering losses against wagering income for the purposes of state income taxation. Your Committee believes that this deduction deprives the State of revenue that could otherwise go to fund the delivery of essential state services. Your Committee further finds that a repeal of the deduction will help the State's financial plan by reducing the current budget deficit.

Your Committee has amended this measure by further changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion.

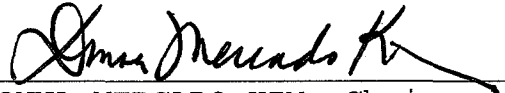
As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B.

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No. 1495, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1495, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,

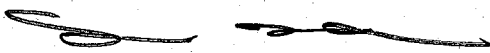


DONNA MERCADO KIM, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Fifth Legislature
 State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
Committee on Ways and Means
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB 1495, HDI	WAM	APRIL 2, 2009		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KIM, Donna Mercado (C)	/			
TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)	/			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	/			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	/			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	/			
HEE, Clayton				/
HOOSER, Gary L.	/			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	/			
KOKUBUN, Russell S.				/
TOKUDA, Jill N.	/			
HEMMINGS, Fred				/
TOTAL	9			3
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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