#### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO INCOME TAX REDUCTION.

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

| 1  | SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Hawaii's state tax          |
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| 2  | burden is the worst in the nation for low-income wage earners.    |
| 3  | The combined effects of the income tax and general excise tax     |
| 4  | results in the bottom twenty per cent of low-income residents     |
| 5  | spending a higher percentage, 12.2 per cent, of their \$9,800     |
| 6  | income for taxes than all other earners. This rate is almost      |
| 7  | twice the 6.3 per cent of taxes paid by people with an income or  |
| 8  | \$1.4 million or above who are the top one per cent of the income |
| 9  | earners. The cost of living in Hawaii is one hundred sixty-five   |
| 10 | per cent of the national average, while Hawaii has the lowest     |
| 11 | national adjusted-average income, \$22,108.                       |
| 12 | The purpose of this Act is to decrease by twenty-five per         |
| 13 | cent the income tax rates for all but the top income earners.     |
| 14 | SECTION 2. Section 235-51, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is            |
| 15 | amended by amending subsection (a) through (c) to read as         |
| 16 | follows:  |
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| 1  | "\$235-51 Tax imposed on individu      | als; rates. (a) There is |
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| 2  | hereby imposed on the taxable income o | f (1) every taxpayer who |
| 3  | files a joint return under section 235 | -93; and (2) every       |
| 4  | surviving spouse a tax determined in a | ccordance with the       |
| 5  | following table:                       |                          |
| 6  | In the case of any taxable year b      | eginning after           |
| 7  | December 31, 2001:                     |                          |
| 8  | If the taxable income is:              | The tax shall be:        |
| 9  | Not over \$4,000                       | 1.40% of taxable income  |
| 10 | Over \$4,000 but                       | \$56.00 plus 3.20% of    |
| 11 | not over \$8,000                       | excess over \$4,000      |
| 12 | Over \$8,000 but                       | \$184.00 plus 5.50% of   |
| 13 | not over \$16,000                      | excess over \$8,000      |
| 14 | Over \$16,000 but                      | \$624.00 plus 6.40% of   |
| 15 | not over \$24,000                      | excess over \$16,000     |
| 16 | Over \$24,000 but                      | \$1,136.00 plus 6.80% of |
| 17 | not over \$32,000                      | excess over \$24,000     |
| 18 | Over \$32,000 but                      | \$1,680.00 plus 7.20% of |
| 19 | not over \$40,000                      | excess over \$32,000     |
| 20 | Over \$40,000 but                      | \$2,256.00 plus 7.60% of |
| 21 | not over \$60,000                      | excess over \$40,000     |

| 1  | Over \$60,000 but                 | \$3,776.00 plus 7.90% of |
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| 2  | not over \$80,000                 | excess over \$60,000     |
| 3  | Over \$80,000                     | \$5,356.00 plus 8.25% of |
| 4  |                                   | excess over \$80,000.    |
| 5  | In the case of any taxable year b | eginning after           |
| 6  | December 31, 2006:                |                          |
| 7  | If the taxable income is:         | The tax shall be:        |
| 8  | Not over \$4,800                  | 1.40% of taxable income  |
| 9  | Over \$4,800 but                  | \$67.00 plus 3.20% of    |
| 10 | not over \$9,600                  | excess over \$4,800      |
| 11 | Over \$9,600 but                  | \$221.00 plus 5.50% of   |
| 12 | not over \$19,200                 | excess over \$9,600      |
| 13 | Over \$19,200 but                 | \$749.00 plus 6.40% of   |
| 14 | not over \$28,800                 | excess over \$19,200     |
| 15 | Over \$28,800 but                 | \$1,363.00 plus 6.80% of |
| 16 | not over \$38,400                 | excess over \$28,800     |
| 17 | Over \$38,400 but                 | \$2,016.00 plus 7.20% of |
| 18 | not over \$48,000                 | excess over \$38,400     |
| 19 | Over \$48,000 but                 | \$2,707.00 plus 7.60% of |
| 20 | not over \$72,000                 | excess over \$48,000     |
| 21 | Over \$72,000 but                 | \$4,531.00 plus 7.90% of |

| 1  | not over \$96,000            | excess over \$72,000     |
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| 2  | Over \$96,000                | \$6,427.00 plus 8.25% of |
| 3  |                              | excess over \$96,000.    |
| 4  | In the case of any taxable y | vear beginning after     |
| 5  | December 31, 2015:           |                          |
| 6  | If the taxable income is:    | The tax shall be:        |
| 7  | Not over \$4,800             | 1.05% of taxable income  |
| 8  | Over \$4,800 but             | \$67.00 plus 2.40% of    |
| 9  | not over \$9,600             | excess over \$4,800      |
| 10 | Over \$9,600 but             | \$221.00 plus 4.10% of   |
| 11 | not over \$19,200            | excess over \$9,600      |
| 12 | Over \$19,200 but            | \$749.00 plus 4.80% of   |
| 13 | not over \$28,800            | excess over \$19,200     |
| 14 | Over \$28,800 but            | \$1,363.00 plus 5.10% of |
| 15 | not over \$38,400            | excess over \$28,800     |
| 16 | Over \$38,400 but            | \$2,016.00 plus 5.40% of |
| 17 | not over \$48,000            | excess over \$38,400     |
| 18 | Over \$48,000 but            | \$2,707.00 plus 5.70% of |
| 19 | not over \$72,000            | excess over \$48,000     |
| 20 | Over \$72,000 but            | \$4,531.00 plus 5.90% of |
| 21 | not over \$96,000            | excess over \$72,000     |

| 1  | Over \$96,000 but                    | \$6,427.00 plus 6.20% of    |
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| 2  | not over \$300,000                   | excess over \$96,000        |
| 3  | Over \$300,000 but                   | \$23,257.00 plus 9.00%      |
| 4  | not over \$350,000                   | excess over \$300,000       |
| 5  | Over \$350,000 but                   | \$27,757.00 plus 10.00% of  |
| 6  | not over \$400,000                   | excess over \$300,000       |
| 7  | Over \$400,000                       | \$32,757.00 plus 11.00% of  |
| 8  |                                      | excess over \$400,000.      |
| 9  | (b) There is hereby imposed on       | the taxable income of every |
| 10 | head of a household a tax determined | in accordance with the      |
| 11 | following table:                     |                             |
| 12 | In the case of any taxable year      | beginning after             |
| 13 | December 31, 2001:                   |                             |
| 14 | If the taxable income is:            | The tax shall be:           |
| 15 | Not over \$3,000                     | 1.40% of taxable income     |
| 16 | Over \$3,000 but                     | \$42.00 plus 3.20% of       |
| 17 | not over \$6,000                     | excess over \$3,000         |
| 18 | Over \$6,000 but                     | \$138.00 plus 5.50% of      |
| 19 | not over \$12,000                    | excess over \$6,000         |
| 20 | Over \$12,000 but                    | \$468.00 plus 6.40% of      |
| 21 | not over \$18,000                    | excess over \$12,000        |

| 1  | Over \$18,000 but               | \$852.00 plus 6.80% of   |
|----|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 2  | not over \$24,000               | excess over \$18,000     |
| 3  | Over \$24,000 but               | \$1,260.00 plus 7.20% of |
| 4  | not over \$30,000               | excess over \$24,000     |
| 5  | Over \$30,000 but               | \$1,692.00 plus 7.60% of |
| 6  | not over \$45,000               | excess over \$30,000     |
| 7  | Over \$45,000 but               | \$2,832.00 plus 7.90% of |
| 8  | not over \$60,000               | excess over \$45,000     |
| 9  | Over \$60,000                   | \$4,017.00 plus 8.25% of |
| 10 |                                 | excess over \$60,000.    |
| 11 | In the case of any taxable year | beginning after          |
| 12 | December 31, 2006:              |                          |
| 13 | If the taxable income is:       | The tax shall be:        |
| 14 | Not over \$3,600                | 1.40% of taxable income  |
| 15 | Over \$3,600 but                | \$50.00 plus 3.20% of    |
| 16 | not over \$7,200                | excess over \$3,600      |
| 17 | Over \$7,200 but                | \$166.00 plus 5.50% of   |
| 18 | not over \$14,400               | excess over \$7,200      |
| 19 | Over \$14,400 but               | \$562.00 plus 6.40% of   |
| 20 | not over \$21,600               | excess over \$14,400     |
| 21 | Over \$21,600 but               | \$1,022.00 plus 6.80% of |

| 1                                      | not over \$28,800  | excess over \$21,600   |
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| 2                                      | Over \$28,800 but  | \$1,512.00 plus 7.20% of   |
| 3                                      | not over \$36,000  | excess over \$28,800   |
| 4                                      | Over \$36,000 but  | \$2,030.00 plus 7.60% of   |
| 5                                      | not over \$54,000  | excess over \$36,000   |
| 6                                      | Over \$54,000 but  | \$3,398.00 plus 7.90% of   |
| 7                                      | not over \$72,000  | excess over \$54,000   |
| 8                                      | Over \$72,000  | \$4,820.00 plus 8.25% of   |
| 9                                      |  | excess over \$72,000.  |
| 10                                     | In the case of any taxable y   | ear beginning after  |
| 11                                     | December 31, 2015:   |  |
|  |  |  |
| 12                                     | If the taxable income is:  | The tax shall be:  |
|  |  | The tax shall be: 1.05% of taxable income  |
| 12                                     | If the taxable income is:  |  |
| 12<br>13                               | If the taxable income is:  Not over \$3,600  | 1.05% of taxable income  |
| 12<br>13<br>14                         | If the taxable income is:  Not over \$3,600  Over \$3,600 but  | 1.05% of taxable income<br>\$50.00 plus 2.40% of   |
| 12<br>13<br>14<br>15                   | If the taxable income is:  Not over \$3,600  Over \$3,600 but  not over \$7,200  | 1.05% of taxable income<br>\$50.00 plus 2.40% of<br>excess over \$3,600  |
| 12<br>13<br>14<br>15<br>16             | <pre>If the taxable income is: Not over \$3,600 Over \$3,600 but not over \$7,200 Over \$7,200 but</pre>                                       | 1.05% of taxable income<br>\$50.00 plus 2.40% of<br>excess over \$3,600<br>\$166.00 plus 4.10% of  |
| 12<br>13<br>14<br>15<br>16<br>17       | <pre>If the taxable income is: Not over \$3,600 Over \$3,600 but not over \$7,200 Over \$7,200 but not over \$14,400</pre>                     | 1.05% of taxable income<br>\$50.00 plus 2.40% of<br>excess over \$3,600<br>\$166.00 plus 4.10% of<br>excess over \$7,200                           |
| 12<br>13<br>14<br>15<br>16<br>17<br>18 | <pre>If the taxable income is: Not over \$3,600 Over \$3,600 but  not over \$7,200 Over \$7,200 but  not over \$14,400 Over \$14,400 but</pre> | 1.05% of taxable income<br>\$50.00 plus 2.40% of<br>excess over \$3,600<br>\$166.00 plus 4.10% of<br>excess over \$7,200<br>\$562.00 plus 4.80% of |

| 1  | Over \$28,800 but                        | \$1,512.00 plus 5.40% of   |
|----|--|----------------------------|
| 2  | not over \$36,000                        | excess over \$28,800       |
| 3  | Over \$36,000 but                        | \$2,030.00 plus 5.70% of   |
| 4  | not over \$54,000                        | excess over \$36,000       |
| 5  | Over \$54,000 but                        | \$3,398.00 plus 5.90% of   |
| 6  | not over \$72,000                        | excess over \$54,000       |
| 7  | Over \$72,000 but                        | \$4,820.00 plus 6.20% of   |
| 8  | not over \$225,000                       | excess over \$72,000       |
| 9  | Over \$225,000 but                       | \$17,443.00 plus 9.00% of  |
| 10 | not over \$262,500                       | excess over \$225,000      |
| 11 | Over \$262,500 but                       | \$20,818.00 plus 10.00% of |
| 12 | not over \$300,000                       | excess over \$262,500      |
| 13 | Over \$300,000                           | \$24,568.00 plus 11.00% of |
| 14 |  | excess over \$300,000.     |
| 15 | (c) There is hereby imposed on the       | ne taxable income of (1)   |
| 16 | every unmarried individual (other than   | a surviving spouse, or     |
| 17 | the head of a household) and (2) on the  | e taxable income of every  |
| 18 | married individual who does not make a   | single return jointly      |
| 19 | with the individual's spouse under sect  | ion 235-93 a tax           |
| 20 | determined in accordance with the follow | owing table:               |

| 1  | In the case of any taxable year b | eginning after           |
|----|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 2  | December 31, 2001:                |                          |
| 3  | If the taxable income is:         | The tax shall be:        |
| 4  | Not over \$2,000                  | 1.40% of taxable income  |
| 5  | Over \$2,000 but                  | \$28.00 plus 3.20% of    |
| 6  | not over \$4,000                  | excess over \$2,000      |
| 7  | Over \$4,000 but                  | \$92.00 plus 5.50% of    |
| 8  | not over \$8,000                  | excess over \$4,000      |
| 9  | Over \$8,000 but                  | \$312.00 plus 6.40% of   |
| 10 | not over \$12,000                 | excess over \$8,000      |
| 11 | Over \$12,000 but                 | \$568.00 plus 6.80% of   |
| 12 | not over \$16,000                 | excess over \$12,000     |
| 13 | Over \$16,000 but                 | \$840.00 plus 7.20% of   |
| 14 | not over \$20,000                 | excess over \$16,000     |
| 15 | Over \$20,000 but                 | \$1,128.00 plus 7.60% of |
| 16 | not over \$30,000                 | excess over \$20,000     |
| 17 | Over \$30,000 but                 | \$1,888.00 plus 7.90% of |
| 18 | not over \$40,000                 | excess over \$30,000     |
| 19 | Over \$40,000                     | \$2,678.00 plus 8.25% of |
| 20 |                                   | excess over \$40,000.    |

| 1  | In the case of any taxable year be | ginning after            |
|----|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 2  | December 31, 2006:                 |                          |
| 3  | If the taxable income is:          | The tax shall be:        |
| 4  | Not over \$2,400                   | 1.40% of taxable income  |
| 5  | Over \$2,400 but                   | \$34.00 plus 3.20% of    |
| 6  | not over \$4,800                   | excess over \$2,400      |
| 7  | Over \$4,800 but                   | \$110.00 plus 5.50% of   |
| 8  | not over \$9,600                   | excess over \$4,800      |
| 9  | Over \$9,600 but                   | \$374.00 plus 6.40% of   |
| 10 | not over \$14,400                  | excess over \$9,600      |
| 11 | Over \$14,400 but                  | \$682.00 plus 6.80% of   |
| 12 | not over \$19,200                  | excess over \$14,400     |
| 13 | Over \$19,200 but                  | \$1,008.00 plus 7.20% of |
| 14 | not over \$24,000                  | excess over \$19,200     |
| 15 | Over \$24,000 but                  | \$1,354.00 plus 7.60% of |
| 16 | not over \$36,000                  | excess over \$24,000     |
| 17 | Over \$36,000 but                  | \$2,266.00 plus 7.90% of |
| 18 | not over \$48,000                  | excess over \$36,000     |
| 19 | Over \$48,000                      | \$3,214.00 plus 8.25% of |
| 20 |                                    | excess over \$48,000.    |

| 1  | In the case of any taxable year l | beginning after           |
|----|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 2  | December 31, 2015:                |                           |
| 3  | If the taxable income is:         | The tax shall be:         |
| 4  | Not over \$2,400                  | 1.05% of taxable income   |
| 5  | Over \$2,400 but                  | \$34.00 plus 2.40% of     |
| 6  | not over \$4,800                  | excess over \$2,400       |
| 7  | Over \$4,800 but                  | \$110.00 plus 4.10% of    |
| 8  | <u>not over \$9,600</u>           | excess over \$4,800       |
| 9  | Over \$9,600 but                  | \$374.00 plus 4.80% of    |
| 10 | not over \$14,400                 | excess over \$9,600       |
| 11 | Over \$14,400 but                 | \$682.00 plus 5.10% of    |
| 12 | not over \$19,200                 | excess over \$14,400      |
| 13 | Over \$19,200 but                 | \$1,008.00 plus 5.40% of  |
| 14 | not over \$24,000                 | excess over \$19,200      |
| 15 | Over \$24,000 but                 | \$1,354.00 plus 5.70% of  |
| 16 | not over \$36,000                 | excess over \$24,000      |
| 17 | Over \$36,000 but                 | \$2,266.00 plus 5.90% of  |
| 18 | not over \$48,000                 | excess over \$36,000      |
| 19 | Over \$48,000 but                 | \$3,214.00 plus 6.20% of  |
| 20 | not over \$150,000                | excess over \$48,000      |
| 21 | Over \$150,000 but                | \$11,629.00 plus 9.00% of |

| 1 | not over \$175,000                     | excess over \$150,000      |
|---|--|----------------------------|
| 2 | Over \$175,000 but                     | \$13,879.00 plus 10.00% of |
| 3 | Not over \$200,000                     | excess over \$175,000      |
| 4 | Over \$200,000                         | \$16,379.00 plus 11.00% of |
| 5 |  | excess over \$200,000."    |
| 6 | SECTION 3. New statutory material      | l is underscored.          |
| 7 | SECTION 4. This Act, upon its app      | proval, shall apply to     |
| 8 | taxable years beginning after December | 31, 2015.                  |
| 9 | INTRODUCED BY:                         | selful B                   |
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#### Report Title:

Taxation; Income Tax Rates.

#### Description:

Decreases the income tax by twenty-five per cent for all but top income earners.

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