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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE
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CHILD TAX CREDIT//

The Federal government offers a child tax credit of up to \$2,000 per qualifying child, but this is not currently available at the State level. This session I am introducing legislation to allow for a refundable State income tax credit up to \$400 for qualifying filers. If local families are going to thrive and afford to stay in Hawai‘i, we need to make serious efforts in government to lower the cost of living; my hope is that this bill will be an important step towards that goal.



DEPENDENT CARE TAX CREDIT//

The State currently offers a household and dependent care tax credit of up to \$2,400 for qualifying individuals, and I have just introduced legislation that would double this amount. It is difficult enough to make ends meet here in the islands and we can do more in the legislature to help. We should do everything in our power to ensure that local families can afford to care for their loved ones and this legislation will play a critical role in that process.

