### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TAXATION.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 235-110.91, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended as follows:
- 3 1. By amending subsection (a) to read:
- 4 "(a) Section 41 (with respect to the credit for increasing
- 5 research activities) and section 280C(c) (with respect to
- 6 certain expenses for which the credit for increasing research
- 7 activities are allowable) of the Internal Revenue Code shall be
- 8 operative for the purposes of this chapter as provided in this
- 9 section; provided that the federal tax provisions in section 41
- 10 of the Internal Revenue Code, as that section was enacted on
- 11 December 31, 2011, irrespective of any subsequent changes to
- 12 section 41 of the Internal Revenue Code, shall remain in effect
- 13 for purposes of determining the state income tax credit under
- 14 this section; provided further that the federal tax provisions
- 15 in section 41 of the Internal Revenue Code, as enacted on
- 16 December 31, 2011, irrespective of any subsequent amendments to
- 17 section 41 of the Internal Revenue Code, shall apply only to

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- 1 expenses incurred for qualified research activities after
- 2 December 31, 2012 [+]; provided further that, for tax years
- 3 beginning after December 31, 2018, there shall be allowed a
- 4 Hawaii state income tax credit of one and one-quarter times any
- 5 credit as calculated under the federal tax provisions in section
- 6 41 of the Internal Revenue Code as enacted on December 31,
- 7 2011."
- 8 2. By amending subsection (c) to read:
- 9 "(c) There shall be allowed to each qualified high
- 10 technology business subject to the tax imposed by this chapter
- 11 an income tax credit for qualified research activities equal to
- 12 the credit for research activities provided by section 41 of the
- 13 Internal Revenue Code and as modified by this section; provided
- 14 that, in addition to any other requirements established in this
- 15 section, in order to qualify for the tax credit established in
- 16 this section, the qualified high technology business shall also
- 17 claim a federal tax credit for the same qualified research
- 18 activities under section 41 of the Internal Revenue Code, as
- 19 enacted on December 31, 2011, irrespective of any subsequent
- 20 amendments to section 41 of the Internal Revenue Code. The
- 21 credit shall be deductible from the taxpayer's net income tax

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- 1 liability, if any, imposed by this chapter for the taxable year
- 2 in which the credit is properly claimed [-]; provided further
- 3 that, for tax years beginning after December 31, 2018, there
- 4 shall be allowed a Hawaii state income tax credit of one and
- 5 one-quarter times any credit as calculated under the federal tax
- 6 provisions in section 41 of the Internal Revenue Code as enacted
- 7 on December 31, 2011."
- **8** 3. By amending subsection (n) to read:
- 9 "(n) This section shall not apply to taxable years
- 10 beginning after December 31, [2019.] 20 ."
- 11 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 12 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 13 SECTION 3. This Act, upon its approval, shall apply to
- 14 taxable years beginning after December 31, 2018.

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INTRODUCED BY:



### Report Title:

Taxation; State Tax Credit for Research Activities; Increase; Extension

#### Description:

Increases the state tax credit for research activities to one and one-quarter times the allowable federal tax credit. Amends qualifying tax years.

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