A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TAX EXEMPTION.

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

1	SECTION 1. Section 235-54, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended to read as follows:
3	"\$235-54 Exemptions. (a) In computing the taxable income
4	of any individual, there shall be deducted, in lieu of the
5	personal exemptions allowed by the Internal Revenue Code,
6	personal exemptions computed as follows: Ascertain the number
7	of exemptions which the individual can lawfully claim under the
8	Internal Revenue Code, add an additional exemption for the
9	taxpayer or the taxpayer's spouse who is sixty-five years of age
10	or older within the taxable year, and multiply that number by
11	[\$1,040,] $$2,080,$ for taxable years beginning after [December
12	31, 1984.] December 31, 2005. A nonresident shall prorate the
13	personal exemptions on account of income from sources outside
14	the State as provided in section 235-5. In the case of an
15	individual with respect to whom an exemption under this section
16	is allowable to another taxpayer for a taxable year beginning in
17	the calendar year in which the individual's taxable year begins,
18	the personal exemption amount applicable to such individual

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- 1 under this subsection for such individual's taxable year shall
- 2 be zero.
- 3 (b) In computing the taxable income of an estate or trust
- 4 there shall be allowed, in lieu of the deductions allowed under
- 5 subsection (a), the following:
- 6 (1) An estate shall be allowed a deduction of [\$400.]
- **7** \$800.
- 8 (2) A trust [which,] that, under its governing instrument,
- 9 is required to distribute all of its income currently
- shall be allowed a deduction of [\$200.] \$400.
- 11 (3) All other trusts shall be allowed a deduction of
- [\$80.] \$160.
- 13 (c) A blind person, a deaf person and any person totally
- 14 disabled, in lieu of the personal exemptions allowed by the
- 15 Internal Revenue Code, shall be allowed, and there shall be
- 16 deducted in computing the taxable income of a blind person, a
- 17 deaf person, or a totally disabled person, instead of the
- 18 exemptions provided by subsection (a), the amount of [\$7,000.]
- 19 \$10,000."
- 20 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 21 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

- 1 SECTION 3. This Act, upon its approval, shall apply to
- 2 taxable years beginning after December 31, 2005.

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Description:

Doubles the state tax exemption in all categories except for the blind, deaf, and totally disabled who are provided a \$10,000 tax exemption.

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