## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TAXATION.

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

SECTION 1. Section 237-24.3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 1 amended to read as follows: 2 "§237-24.3 Additional amounts not taxable. In addition to 3 the amounts not taxable under section 237-24, this chapter shall 4 5 not apply to: Amounts received from the loading, transportation, and 6 (1) unloading of agricultural commodities shipped for a 7 producer or produce dealer on one island of this State 8 to a person, firm, or organization on another island 9 of this State. The terms "agricultural commodity", 10 "producer", and "produce dealer" shall be defined in 11 the same manner as they are defined in section 147-1; 12 provided that agricultural commodities need not have 13 been produced in the State; 14 Amounts received from sales of: (2) 15 Intoxicating liquor as the term "liquor" is 16

defined in chapter 244D;

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1		(B)	Cigarettes and tobacco products as defined in
2			chapter 245; and
3		(C)	Agricultural, meat, or fish products;
4		to a	ny person or common carrier in interstate or
5		fore	ign commerce, or both, whether ocean-going or air
. 6		for	consumption out-of-state on the shipper's vessels
7		or a	irplanes;
8	(3)	Amou	nts received by the manager or board of directors
9		of:	
10		(A)	An association of apartment owners of a
11			condominium property regime established in
12			accordance with chapter 514B; or
13		(B)	A nonprofit homeowners or community association
14			incorporated in accordance with chapter 414D or
15			any predecessor thereto and existing pursuant to
16			covenants running with the land,
17		in r	eimbursement of sums paid for common expenses;
18	(4)	Amou	nts received or accrued from:
19		(A)	The loading or unloading of cargo from ships,
20			barges, vessels, or aircraft, whether or not the
21			ships, barges, vessels, or aircraft travel

1		between the State and other states or countries
2		or between the islands of the State;
3		(B) Tugboat services including pilotage fees
4		performed within the State, and the towage of
5		ships, barges, or vessels in and out of state
6		harbors, or from one pier to another; and
7		(C) The transportation of pilots or governmental
8		officials to ships, barges, or vessels offshore;
9		rigging gear; checking freight and similar
10		services; standby charges; and use of moorings
11		and running mooring lines;
12	(5)	Amounts received by an employee benefit plan by way of
13		contributions, dividends, interest, and other income;
14		and amounts received by a nonprofit organization or
15		office, as payments for costs and expenses incurred
16		for the administration of an employee benefit plan;
17		provided that this exemption shall not apply to any
18		gross rental income or gross rental proceeds received
19		after June 30, 1994, as income from investments in
20		real property in this State; and provided further that
21		gross rental income or gross rental proceeds from
22		investments in real property received by an employee

1		benefit plan after June 30, 1994, under written
2		contracts executed prior to July 1, 1994, shall not be
3		taxed until the contracts are renegotiated, renewed,
4		or extended, or until after December 31, 1998,
5		whichever is earlier. For the purposes of this
6		paragraph, "employee benefit plan" means any plan as
7		defined in section 1002(3) of title 29 of the United
8		States Code, as amended;
9	(6)	Amounts received for purchases made with United States
10		Department of Agriculture food coupons under the
11		federal food stamp program, and amounts received for
12		purchases made with United States Department of
13		Agriculture food vouchers under the Special
14		Supplemental Foods Program for Women, Infants and
15		Children;
16	(7)	Amounts received for the provision of medical services
17		and amounts received by a hospital, infirmary, medical
18		clinic, health care facility, pharmacy, or a
19		practitioner licensed to administer the drug to an
20		individual for selling prescription drugs or
21		prosthetic devices to an individual; provided that
22		this paragraph shall not apply to any amounts received

1	for services provided in selling prescription drugs or
2	prosthetic devices. As used in this paragraph:
3	(A) "Prescription drugs" are those drugs defined
4	under section 328-1 and dispensed by filling or
5	refilling a written or oral prescription by a
6	practitioner licensed under law to administer the
7	drug and sold by a licensed pharmacist under
8	section 328-16 or practitioners licensed to
9	administer drugs; [and]
10	(B) "Prosthetic device" means any artificial device
11	or appliance, instrument, apparatus, or
12	contrivance, including their components, parts,
13	accessories, and replacements thereof, used to
14	replace a missing or surgically removed part of
15	the human body, which is prescribed by a licensed
16	practitioner of medicine, osteopathy, or podiatry
17	and which is sold by the practitioner or which is
18	dispensed and sold by a dealer of prosthetic
19	devices; provided that "prosthetic device" shall
20	not mean any auditory, ophthalmic, dental, or
21	ocular device or appliance, instrument,
22	apparatus, or contrivance; and

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1		(C) "Medical services" means medical services
2		provided by licensed health care providers that
3		are necessary to treat a person's medical or
4		health condition, including physicians' visits
5		and consultations; provided that "medical
6		services" shall not include cosmetic surgery or
7		cosmetic care, plastic surgery, and cosmetic
8		dentistry unless the costs and expenses from such
9		medical services qualify as a deduction under
10		Section 213 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986,
11		as amended;
12	(8)	Taxes on transient accommodations imposed by chapter
13		237D and passed on and collected by operators holding
14		certificates of registration under that chapter;
15	(9)	Amounts received as dues by an unincorporated
16		merchants association from its membership for
17		advertising media, promotional, and advertising costs
18		for the promotion of the association for the benefit
19		of its members as a whole and not for the benefit of
20		an individual member or group of members less than the
21		entire membership;

1	(10)	Amounts received by a labor organization for real	
2		property leased to:	
3		(A) A labor organization; or	
4		(B) A trust fund established by a labor organization	
5		for the benefit of its members, families, and	
6		dependents for medical or hospital care, pensions	
7		on retirement or death of employees,	
8		apprenticeship and training, and other membership	
9		service programs.	
10		As used in this paragraph, "labor organization" means	
11		a labor organization exempt from federal income tax	
12		under section 501(c)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code,	
13		as amended;	
14	(11)	Amounts received from foreign diplomats and consular	
15		officials who are holding cards issued or authorized	
16		by the United States Department of State granting them	
17		an exemption from state taxes; and	
18	(12)	Amounts received as rent for the rental or leasing of	
19		aircraft or aircraft engines used by the lessees or	
20		renters for interstate air transportation of	
21		passengers and goods. For purposes of this paragraph,	
22		payments made pursuant to a lease shall be considered	

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1	rent regardless of whether the lease is an operating
2	lease or a financing lease. The definition of
3	"interstate air transportation" is the same as in 49
4	U.S.C. 40102."
5	SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
6	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
7	SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2006, and
8	shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2005.

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#### Report Title:

General Excise Tax Exemption; Medical Services

#### Description:

Exempts amounts received for medical services, with certain exceptions, from general excise tax assessments (HB1915 HD1).