### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TAX APPEALS:

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 232-14.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 "[+] $\leq 232-14.5$ [+] Appeals relating to claims for <u>a</u>
- 4 refund[-] or credit. (a) The denial in whole or in part by the
- 5 department of taxation of a tax refund or tax credit claim may
- 6 be appealed by the filing of a written notice of appeal to a
- 7 board of review or the tax appeal court within thirty days after
- 8 notice of the denial of the claim.
- (b) An appeal may be filed with a board of review or the
- 10 tax appeal court for review of the merits of a tax refund or tax
- 11 credit claim, upon a notice of appeal filed at any time after
- 12 one hundred eighty days from the date that the claim was filed;
- 13 provided that the department has not given notice of a denial of
- 14 the claim within that period.
- 15 (c) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary under title
- 16 14, this section shall apply to tax refund and tax credit claims
- 17 for all taxes administered by the department of taxation. The
- 18 procedures for appeals from tax assessors, a board of review,



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- 1 and the tax appeal court provided under this chapter and under
- 2 section 235-114 shall apply to appeals relating to tax refund
- 3 and tax credit claims under this section. Any claimed tax
- 4 refund or credit appealed pursuant to this section shall be
- 5 awarded only if the claim therefor was filed within the
- 6 applicable statutory period of limitation."
- 7 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 8 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 9 SECTION 3. This Act shall apply to appeals on tax credits
- 10 claimed against taxes or creditable expenses incurred in taxable
- 11 years beginning after December 31, 2005.
- 12 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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### Report Title:

Tax Appeals; Tax Credits

### Description:

Allows taxpayers to appeal a decision of the department of taxation to deny a taxpayer's application for a tax credit.