A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TAX CREDITS.

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

1	SECT	ION 1. Chapter 235, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended b	y adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3	and to re	ad as follows:
4	" <u>§23</u>	5- Activated Hawaii national guard member tax
5	credit.	(a) There shall be allowed to each individual taxpayer
6	who is no	t claimed, or is not otherwise eligible to be claimed
7	as a depe	ndent by another taxpayer for federal or state income
8	tax purpo	ses, an activated Hawaii national guard member tax
9	credit th	at shall be deductible from the taxpayer's net income
10	tax liabi	lity imposed by this chapter.
11	(b)	To qualify for the tax credit, the taxpayer shall:
12	(1)	Be a member in good standing of the Hawaii national
13		guard;
14	(2)	Have been ordered into federal active duty for not
15		less than one hundred eighty consecutive days,
16		including service of not less than thirty days in a
17		combat zone or qualified hazardous duty area to which

1		the combat zone income exclusion under section 112 of
2		the Internal Revenue Code applies; and
3	(3)	Be in compliance with all applicable federal, state,
4		and county statutes, rules, and regulations.
5	<u>(c)</u>	The tax credit shall be \$1,000 per taxpayer. The tax
6	credit sh	all be claimed during the year of the return of the
7	<u>Hawaii na</u>	tional guard member from the combat zone or qualified
8	hazardous	duty area.
9	(d)	If the tax credit under this section exceeds the
10	taxpayer'	s net income tax liability, the amount of the excess
11	tax credi	t shall be paid to the eligible taxpayer; provided that
12	no refund	or payment on account of the tax credit allowed by
13	this sect	ion shall be made for amounts less than \$1.
14	<u>(e)</u>	Every claim, including amended claims, for the tax
15	credit un	der this section shall be filed on or before the end of
16	the twelf	th month following the close of the taxable year for
17	which the	tax credit may be claimed. Failure to meet the filing
18	requireme	nts of this subsection shall constitute a waiver of the
19	right to	claim the tax credit.
20	<u>(f)</u>	The director of taxation:
21	(1)	Shall prepare forms as may be necessary to claim a tax
22		credit under this section;

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1	(2) May require proof of the claim for the tax credit; and
2	(3) May adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91 to effectuate
3	the purposes of this section."
4	SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.
5	SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval
6	and shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31,
7	2007.

INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title:

Tax Credits; Hawaii National Guard Members

Description:

Provides a \$1,000 tax credit to Hawaii national guard members who have served in a combat zone or qualified hazardous duty area.