A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DIGITAL MEDIA.

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

1	SECT	ION 1. Section 235-17, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended b	y amending subsection (e) to read as follows:
3	"(e)	Claims for credit under this section shall be subject
4	to the following limitations:	
5	(1)	On or after July 1, 2006, no qualified production cost
6		that has been financed by investments for which a
7		credit was claimed by any taxpayer pursuant to section
8		235-110.9 is eligible for credits under this
9		section[-];
10	(2)	Qualified production costs that are financed by state
11		funds shall not be eligible for credits under this
12		section; and
13	(3)	After June 30, 2008, no taxpayer shall be eligible to
14		claim the tax credit under this section for qualified
15		productions that are financed, in whole or in part, by
16		investments for which a credit has been claimed by the
17		taxpayer as a qualified high technology business under

1	section 235-110.9. If a claim for credit is made	
2	under this section after June 30, 2008, the taxpayer	
3	shall no longer qualify for the credit under section	
4	235-110.9 and any credit that has been claimed under	
5	that section shall be subject to recapture under	
6	section 235-110.9(d)."	
7	SECTION 2. (a) The department of labor and industrial	
8	relations shall establish an advisory group consisting of	
9	members from the University of Hawaii, including the community	
10	colleges and the academy for creative media, the Hawaii film	
11	office, and trade unions, to conduct a study on the issues	
12	relating to the hiring practices of motion picture, digital	
13	media, and film productions in Hawaii, including specific	
14	consideration of ways to promote local hiring.	
15	(b) The advisory group shall submit a report on its	
16	findings and recommendations to the legislature no later than	
17	twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session of	
18	2009.	
19	SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed	
20	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.	
21	SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2059.	

Report Title:

Digital Media; Tax Credit; Appropriation

Description:

Prohibits taxpayers from claiming the Motion Picture, Digital Media, and Film Production Tax Credit for qualified productions that are financed by investments for which a credit has been claimed under the High Technology Business Investment Tax Credit. Establishes an advisory group to study issues in hiring local talent for the film industry, with specific consideration for promoting local hiring. (SB2273 HD3)