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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLD RENTERS TAX CREDIT.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 235-55.7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows: 2 3 "(c) Each taxpayer with an adjusted gross income of less than \$30,000 who has paid more than \$1,000 in rent during the 4 5 taxable year for which the credit is claimed may claim a tax credit of \$50 multiplied by the number of qualified exemptions 6 7 to which the taxpayer is entitled; provided [each] that: 8 Each taxpayer sixty-five years of age or over may (1) 9 claim double the tax credit; 10 A taxpayer with an adjusted gross income of less than (2) 11 \$20,000 or joint taxpayers with adjusted gross incomes 12 of less than \$40,000 who secure the approval of their 13 landlord, may transfer their tax credit to their 14 landlord; provided that the transfer shall not affect the ability of the landlord to claim any other tax 15 16 credit as a corporate taxpayer; and [provided that a]



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(3) A resident individual who has no income or no income 1 2 taxable under this chapter may also claim the tax credit as set forth in this section." 3 4 SECTION 2. The department of taxation may adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91 to effectuate this Act. 5 6 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New statutory material is underscored. 7 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval 8 9 and shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 10 2008.

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Report Title:

Tax Credit; Low-income Household Renter

Description:

Allows a taxpayer who claims the low-income household renter's tax credit to transfer the credit to the taxpayer's landlord.

