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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE GENERAL EXCISE TAX.

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

1 Section 237-23, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is SECTION 1. 2 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows: 3 "(b) The exemptions enumerated in subsection (a)(3) to (6) 4 shall apply only: 5 (1)To those persons who shall have registered with the department of taxation by filing a written application 7 for registration in such form as the department shall prescribe, shall have paid the registration fee of 9 \$20, and shall have had the exemption allowed by the 10 department or by a court or tribunal of competent 11 jurisdiction upon appeal from any assessment resulting 12 from disallowance of the exemption by the department; 13 To activities from which no profit inures to the (2)14 benefit of any private stockholder or individual, 15 except for death or other benefits to the members of 16 fraternal societies; and

1	(3)	To the fraternal, religious, charitable, scientific,
2		educational, communal, or social welfare activities of
3		such persons, or to the activities of such hospitals,
4		infirmaries, and sanitaria as such, and not to any
5		activity the primary purpose of which is to produce
6		income even though the income is to be used for or in
7		furtherance of the exempt activities of such
8		persons[+]; provided that the income produced from
9		activities by a charitable organization as defined in
10		section 467B-1 shall be exempt from this chapter."
11	SECT	ION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
12	and stric	ken. New statutory material is underscored.
13	SECT	ION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2009, and
14	shall app	ly to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2008.
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Report Title:

General Excise Tax; Charitable Organizations

Description:

Exempts the general excise tax rate for fundraising activities by charitable organizations.