STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2895

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 3 0 2010

RE: H.B. No. 2596

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa President of the Senate Twenty-Fifth State Legislature Regular Session of 2010 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 2596 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAX CREDITS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to clarify the priority of income tax credit claims by requiring individuals who have no income tax liability to claim refundable tax credits prior to claiming non-refundable tax credits.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the Department of Taxation. The Tax Foundation of Hawaii submitted comments. Written testimony may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that there is no statutory framework for claiming income tax credits with respect to refundable and non-refundable tax credits. Establishing a priority by which tax credits must be claimed will save the State an estimated \$17,000,000 for at least two years. Your Committee believes that this measure will create certainty for budgeting the State's tax credit liabilities and provide a savings for the State.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2596, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Ways and Means,

DONNA MERCADO KIM, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Fifth Legislature State of Hawaii

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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee	Referral:	Da	te:	
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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KIM, Donna Mercado (C)					
TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)					
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne		/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani					
FUKUNAGA, Carol					
GALUTERIA, Brickwood					
HEE, Clayton					
HOOSER, Gary L.					
KIDANI, Michelle N.			V 0.		
KOKUBUN, Russell S.					
TOKUDA, Jill N.	2				
HEMMINGS, Fred					
TOTAL		8	0	0	4
Recommendation:					
Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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