EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

NEIL ABERCROMBIE GOVERNOR

June 9, 2011

The Honorable Shan Tsutsui, President and Members of the Senate Twenty-Sixth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 The Honorable Calvin Say, Speaker and Members of the House Twenty-Sixth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Tsutsui, Speaker Say and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on June 9, 2011, the following bill was signed into law:

SB570 SD2 HD1 CD1

RELATING TO TAXATION Act 097 (11)

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TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE, 2011 STATE OF HAWAII S.B. NO. 570 S.D. 2 H.D. 1 C.D. 1

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TAXATION.

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

• 1		PART I
2	SECT	ION 1. The purpose of this Act is to address
3	taxation.	More specifically, this Act:
4	(1)	Makes the deduction for state taxes paid, inoperative
5		for:
6		(A) An individual filer with a federal adjusted gross
7		income of \$100,000 or more;
8.		(B) A joint or surviving spouse filer with a federal
9		adjusted gross income of \$200,000 or more; and
10		(C) A head of household with a federal adjusted gross
11		income of \$150,000 or more;
12	(2)	Limits the amount of itemized deductions that may be
13		claimed by the same taxpayers; and
14	(3)	Delays the standard deduction and personal exemption
15		increases approved under Act 60, Session Laws of
16		Hawaii, 2009, and makes the increases permanent.

1			PART II
2	SECT	ON 2	2. Section 235-2.4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
3	amended k	y ame	ending subsection (h) to read as follows:
4	" (h)	Sec	ction 164 (with respect to taxes) of the Internal
5	Revenue C	ode s	shall be operative for the purposes of this
6	chapter,	excep	ot that [sections]:
7	(1)	Sect	ions 164(a)(6) and 164(b)(6) shall not be
8		oper	rative for the purposes of this chapter [-]; and
9	(2)	The	deductions under sections 164(a)(3) and 164(b)(5)
10		shal	l not be operative for corporate taxpayers and
11		shal	l be operative only for the following individual
12		taxp	payers:
13	,	(A)	A taxpayer filing a single return or a married
14			person filing separately with a federal adjusted
15			gross income of less than \$100,000;
16		<u>(B)</u>	A taxpayer filing as a head of household with a
17			federal adjusted gross income of less than
18			\$150,000; and
19		(C)	A taxpayer filing a joint return or as a
20	·	,	surviving spouse with a federal adjusted gross
21			income of less than \$200,000."

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1	PART 111						
2	SECT	CION :	3. Chapter 235, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is				
3	amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated						
4	and to re	and to read as follows:					
5	" <u>§23</u>	55-	Itemized deductions; limitations.				
6	Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, itemized tax						
7	deduction	ıs cla	aimed pursuant to this chapter shall not exceed the				
8	lesser of:						
9	(1)	The	limitation on itemized deductions under section 68				
10		of t	the Internal Revenue Code; or				
11	(2)	Any	of the following that may be applicable:				
12		(A)	\$25,000 for a taxpayer filing a single return or				
13		4 . *	a married person filing separately with a federal				
14			adjusted gross income of \$100,000 or more;				
15	• .	(B)	\$37,500 for a taxpayer filing as a head of				
16			household with a federal adjusted gross income of				
17			\$150,000 or more; and				
18		(C)	\$50,000 for a taxpayer filing a joint return or				
19		."	as a surviving spouse with a federal adjusted				
20			gross income of \$200,000 or more."				

1	PART IV					
2	SECTION 4. Act 60, Session Laws of Hawaii 2009, is amended					
3	by amending section 6 to read as follows:					
4	"SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect upon approval $[\tau]_{\underline{i}}$					
5	provided that:					
6	(1) Section 2 shall apply to taxable years beginning after					
7	December 31, 2008;					
8	(2) Sections 1 and 3 shall apply to taxable years					
9	beginning after December 31, [2010;] 2012; and					
10	(3) On December 31, 2015, [this Act] section 2 shall be					
11	repealed and [sections 235 2.4(a),] section 235-51(a),					
12	(b), and (c), [and 235 54(a),] Hawaii Revised					
13	Statutes, shall be reenacted in the form in which					
14	[they] it read on the day before the effective date of					
15	this Act."					
16	PART V					
17	SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed					
18	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.					
19	SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2011, and					
20	shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2010;					
21	provided that:					

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1	(1)	Section 235- , Hawaii Revised Statutes, in section 3
2		of this Act shall be repealed on January 1, 2016, and
3		shall apply to taxable years beginning after December
4		31, 2010, but not to taxable years beginning after
5		December 31, 2015; and
6	(2)	Part IV shall take effect retroactively to December
7		30, 2010.

APPROVED this

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JUN

, 2011

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII