HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE, 2011 STATE OF HAWAII

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TAXATION.

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

SECTION 1. Section 235-9, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
amended to read as follows:

"§235-9 Exemptions; generally. (a) Except as provided in 3 sections 235-61 to 235-67 relating to withholding and collection 4 of tax at source, and section 235-2.4 relating to "unrelated 5 business taxable income", the following persons and 6 organizations shall not be taxable under this chapter: banks, 7 building and loan associations, financial services loan 8 companies, financial corporations, small business investment 9 companies, trust companies, mortgage loan companies, financial 10 holding companies, subsidiaries of financial holding companies 11 as defined in chapter 241, and development companies taxable 12 under chapter 241; insurance companies, agricultural cooperative 13 associations, and fish marketing associations exclusively 14 taxable under other laws; [and] persons engaged in the business 15 of motion picture and television film production as defined by 16 the director of taxation [-]; and new businesses. 17



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1	<u>(b)</u>	For	the purpose of this section, "new business" means	
2	a corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, or other legal			
3	entity that:			
4	(1)	Is domiciled in this State;		
5	(2)	Is formed to make a profit;		
6	(3)	Is independently owned and operated; and		
7	(4)	Has either:		
8		<u>(A)</u>	Been in existence for not more than three years	
9			and has not been doing business as another	
10			corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, or	
11			other legal entity within one year prior to the	
12			start of the new legal entity and that has been	
13			terminated for the sole purpose of obtaining	
14			exemption from the tax under this chapter; or	
15		<u>(B)</u>	Reported annual gross sales in or into this State	
16			in any of the first three taxable years of its	
17			existence that are not in excess of \$100,000;	
18			provided that, regardless of the amount of annual	
19			gross sales, beginning in the fourth year of its	
20			existence, the legal entity shall not be a new	
21			business and shall be subject to the tax under	
22			this chapter.	



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Report Title: Income Tax; Exemption; New Businesses

Description: Exempts new businesses from income tax. Requires that new businesses claiming the exemption have either: (1) been in existence for less than 3 years, or (2) earned less than \$100,000 in gross sales during any of the first 3 taxable years.

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