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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. The purpose of this Act is to provide the

 counties with access to the state income tax databases in order

 to enable the counties to efficiently provide real property tax

 relief to eligible taxpayers.

 SECTION 2. Section 231-18, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is

 amended to read as follows:
- 7 "§231-18 Federal or other tax officials permitted to
- 8 inspect returns; counties' access to income tax databases;
- 9 reciprocal provisions. Notwithstanding the provisions of any
- 10 law making it unlawful for any person, officer, or employee of
- 11 the State to make known information imparted by any tax return
- 12 or permit any tax return to be seen or examined by any person,
- 13 it shall be lawful to permit a duly accredited tax official of
- 14 the United States, any state or territory, any county of this
- 15 State, or the Multistate Tax Commission to inspect any tax
- 16 return of any taxpayer, or to furnish to an official,
- 17 commission, or the authorized representative thereof an abstract
- of the return or supply the official, commission, or the 2012-0367 SB SMA.doc



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- 1 authorized representative thereof with information concerning
- 2 any item contained in the return or disclosed by the report of
- 3 any investigation of the return or of the subject matter of the
- 4 return for tax purposes only. The Multistate Tax Commission may
- 5 make the information available to a duly accredited tax official
- 6 of the United States, any state or territory, or the authorized
- 7 representative thereof, for tax purposes only. The department
- 8 shall permit any county of this State, or the authorized
- 9 representatives thereof, to access the income tax data of
- 10 applicants for real property tax purposes only."
- 11 SECTION 3. Section 235-117, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 12 amended to read as follows:
- 13 "§235-117 Reciprocal supplying of tax information.
- 14 Notwithstanding section 235-116, the department may permit the
- 15 Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, the Commissioner
- 16 of Internal Revenue, the Multistate Tax Commission, or the
- 17 proper officer of any state or territory imposing an income tax
- 18 upon incomes of persons taxable under this chapter, or any
- 19 county of this State, or the authorized representatives thereof
- 20 to inspect the income tax returns and estimates of any such
- 21 person for tax purposes only. The department may also furnish
- 22 to these authorized persons an abstract of an income tax return



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- 1 or estimate or supply these persons with information concerning
- 2 any item of income contained in a return or disclosed by the
- 3 report of an investigation of the income or return of a
- 4 taxpayer. The Multistate Tax Commission may make the
- 5 information available to a duly accredited tax official of the
- 6 United States, any state or territory, or the authorized
- 7 representative thereof, for tax purposes only. The department
- 8 of taxation shall permit any county of this State, or the
- 9 authorized representatives thereof, to access the income tax
- 10 data of applicants for real property tax purposes only."
- 11 SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.
- 12 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

State Income Tax; Counties; Property Taxes

Description:

Requires the state tax department to grant counties access to the State's income tax database for real property tax purposes.

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