HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE, 2014 STATE OF HAWAII

H.B. NO.**1805**

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TAX CREDITS.

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

SECTION 1. Section 235-55.85, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended as follows:

3 1. By amending subsections (b) and (c) to read:

4 "(b) Each resident individual taxpayer may claim a 5 refundable food/excise tax credit multiplied by the number of 6 qualified exemptions to which the taxpayer is entitled in 7 accordance with the table below; provided that a husband and 8 wife filing separate tax returns for a taxable year for which a 9 joint return could have been filed by them shall claim only the 10 tax credit to which they would have been entitled had a joint 11 return been filed.

12	Adju	sted gross i	ncome	Credit	per exemption
13	Unde	r [\$5,000] <u>\$</u>	5,700		[\$85] <u>\$96</u>
14	[\$5,000]	<u>\$5,700</u> und	ler [\$10,000]	<u>\$11,300</u>	[75] <u>\$85</u>
15	[\$10,000]	<u>\$11,300</u> und	ler [\$15,000]] <u>\$17,000</u>	[65] <u>\$74</u>
16	[\$15,000]	<u>\$17,000</u> und	ler [\$20,000]	<u>\$22,700</u>	[55] <u>\$62</u>
17	[\$20,000]	<u>\$22,700</u> unc	ler [\$30,000]	\$34,000	[45] <u>\$51</u>
18	[\$30,000]	<u>\$34,000</u> und	ler [\$40,000]	<u>\$45,300</u>	[35] <u>\$40</u>
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1	[\$40,000] $$45,300$ under $[$50,000]$ $$56,500$ $[25]$ $$28$
2	[\$50,000] <u>\$56,500</u> and over <u>\$</u> 0
3	(c) [For the purposes of this section, a qualified
4	exemption is defined to include those exemptions permitted under
5	this chapter; provided that no additional exemption may be
6	claimed by a taxpayer who is sixty five years of age or older;
7	provided that a person for whom exemption is claimed has
8	physically resided in the State for more than nine months during
9	the taxable year; and provided further that multiple exemptions
10	shall not be granted because of deficiencies in vision or
11	hearing, or other disability. For purposes of claiming this
12	credit only, a minor child receiving support from the department
13	of human services of the State, social security survivor's
14	benefits, and the like, may be considered a dependent and a
15	qualified exemption of the parent or guardian.] In the case of
16	any taxable year beginning in a calendar year after 2015, each
17	dollar amount contained in subsection (b) shall be increased by
18	an amount equal to such dollar amount multiplied by the
19	percentage, if any, by which the consumer price index for the
20	preceding calendar year exceeds the consumer price index for the
21	calendar year 2015."

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- 2. By amending subsection (g) to read:



1	"(g) For the purposes of this section[, "adjusted]:
2	"Adjusted gross income" means adjusted gross income as
3	defined by the Internal Revenue Code.
4	"Consumer price index" means the consumer price index for
5	all urban consumers published by the United States Department of
6	Labor.
7	"Qualified exemption" means those exemptions permitted
8	under this chapter; provided that no additional exemption may be
9	claimed by a taxpayer who is sixty-five years of age or older;
10	provided further that a person who claims such an exemption
11	shall have physically resided in the State for more than nine
12	months during the taxable year; provided further that multiple
13	exemptions shall not be granted because of deficiencies in
14	vision or hearing or other disability. For purposes of claiming
15	this credit only, a minor child receiving support from the
16	department of human services of the State, social security
17	survivor's benefits, and the like, may be considered a dependent
18	and a qualified exemption of the parent or guardian."
19	SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
20	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.



SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval,
and shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31,
2014.

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Report Title:

Refundable Food/Excise Tax Credit

Description:

Amends the refundable food/excise tax credit. Ties the credit to increases in the Consumer Price Index.

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