A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO FARMERS MARKETS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 237, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
- and to read as follows: 3
- 4 Exemption for produce sold at farmers' markets.
- There shall be exempted from, and excluded from the measure 5
- 6 of, the taxes imposed by this chapter all of the gross proceeds
- or income arising from the sale of produce at a farmers' market 7
- that is intended for human consumption within the State. 8
- 9 This exemption shall not apply to sales of produce intended
- 10 for human consumption outside of the State.
- 11 For the purposes of this section: (b)
- "Farmers' market" means an outdoor market where independent 12
- business operators sell agricultural products grown in Hawaii 13
- 14 and value-added products that were produced using agricultural
- 15 products grown in Hawaii.
- 16 "Produce" means any fresh fruit or vegetable grown in the
- soil or hydroponically, regardless of whether organic, that is 17
- sold in the same general condition as when it was harvested." 18

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- 1 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.
- 2 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval
- 3 and shall apply to gross income or gross proceeds received after
- 4 December 31, 2013.

Report Title:

Agriculture; Farmers' Markets; General Excise Tax; Exemption

Description:

Defines the term "farmers' market". Exempts produce that is sold at farmers' markets for human consumption within the State from the general excise tax. (HD1)

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