## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION CRIMINAL INVESTIGATORS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 231-4.3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 "[+] §231-4.3[+] Investigators; appointment and powers.
- 4 (a) The director of taxation may appoint and commission one or
- 5 more investigators as the exigencies of the public service may
- 6 require. Persons appointed and commissioned under this section
- 7 shall have and may exercise all of the powers and authority and
- 8 the benefits and privileges of a police officer or of a deputy
- 9 sheriff, including the power to arrest[<del>; provided that such</del>
- 10 powers-shall remain in force and effect only while in actual
- 11 performance of their duties]. These investigators shall consist
- 12 of personnel whose primary duty is to conduct investigations as
- 13 directed by the director of taxation, and as authorized by law.
- 14 Persons appointed and commissioned under this section [shall]
- 15 may be exempt from chapter 76.
- 16 (b) Investigators who are subject to chapter 76 shall also
- 17 have and may exercise all of the powers and authority and the

- 1 benefits and privileges of a police officer or of a deputy
- 2 sheriff, including the power to arrest.
- 3 (c) The director of taxation may adopt rules pursuant to
- 4 chapter 91 to implement this section."
- 5 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 6 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 7 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.

## Report Title:

Taxation; Investigators

## Description:

Clarifies that Department of Taxation investigators who are subject to chapter 76, Hawaii Revised Statutes, also have police powers. Effective July 1, 2050. (HB2347 HD2)

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