A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ENTERPRISE ZONES.

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

1	SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to repeal certain
2	tax incentives received by businesses engaged in the research,
3	development, sale, or production of genetically-engineered
4	products within state enterprise zones.
5	SECTION 2. Section 209E-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
6	amended by amending the definition of "eligible business
7	activity" to read as follows:
8	""Eligible business activity" means the:
9	(1) Manufacture of tangible personal property, the
10	wholesale sale of tangible personal property as
11	described in section 237-4, or a service business as
12	defined in this section;
13	(2) Production of agricultural products where the business
14	is a producer as defined in section 237-5, or the
15	processing of agricultural products, all or some of

which were grown within an enterprise zone; or

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1	[(3) Research, development, sale, or production of all
2	types of genetically engineered medical, agricultural,
3	or maritime biotechnology products; or
4	(4) (3) Production of electric power from wind energy for
5	sale primarily to a public utility company for resale
6	to the public."
7	SECTION 3. Section 209E-11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
8	amended to read as follows:
9	"§209E-11 State general excise exemptions. The department
10	shall certify annually to the department of taxation that any
11	qualified business is exempt from the payment of general excise
12	taxes on the gross proceeds from an eligible business activity
13	as defined in this chapter; provided that agricultural
14	businesses (other than those engaged in the production of
15	genetically engineered agricultural products] shall not be
16	exempt from the payment of general excise taxes on the gross
17	proceeds of agricultural retail sales. The gross proceeds
18	received by a contractor licensed under chapter 444 shall be
19	exempt from the general excise tax for construction within an
20	enterprise zone performed for a qualified business within an
21	enterprise zone or a business that has been approved by the
22	department to enroll into the enterprise zone program. The
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- 1 exemption shall extend for a period not to exceed seven years;
- 2 provided that for qualified businesses engaged in the
- 3 manufacturing of tangible personal property or the producing or
- 4 processing of agricultural products, the exemption shall extend
- 5 for a period not to exceed ten years; provided further that if a
- 6 force majeure event occurs, then the period of time shall be
- 7 tolled until the force majeure event ceases."
- 8 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 9 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 10 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2013, and
- 11 shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012.

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Enterprise Zones; Repeal of Incentives

Description:

Repeals certain enterprise zone tax incentives for businesses engaged in the research, development, sale or production of genetically-engineered products. Effective July 1, 2013, and shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012.

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