

JAN 23 2015

S.B. NO. 609

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TAX RELIEF.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 235, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:

4 "§235- Wagering winnings; waiver. (a) Upon payment of
5 a \$ fee, an individual taxpayer may acquire from the
6 department of taxation, a written waiver that exempts the
7 taxpayer from reporting as taxable income all wagering or
8 gambling winnings that were acquired by the taxpayer legally
9 outside of the State, that would have been otherwise reportable
10 under this chapter, and that were accrued during the period of
11 the waiver; provided that:

12 (1) No waiver to exempt taxpayers under this section shall
13 be issued until the department of taxation has adopted
14 rules pursuant to subsection (d);

15 (2) The waiver shall be valid for a specific consecutive
16 five-day period during the taxable year for which the
17 waiver applies;



(3) Waivers for multiple five-day periods may be acquired;

(4) The \$ fee shall apply to each waiver;

(5) The waiver shall be acquired by the taxpayer at least

twenty-four hours before the commencement of the

period during which the waiver is effective; and

(6) The waiver shall apply to all individual taxpayers,

whether or not the taxpayer itemizes tax deductions.

(b) A waiver shall not be transferrable and shall not be
combined with any other waiver acquired by any other taxpayer.

(c) Waivers shall be acquired and paid for by credit card
on the department of taxation website or on other secure
internet-based system established by the department.

(d) The department of taxation shall adopt rules pursuant
to chapter 91 to effectuate this section; provided that the
rules shall take effect no later than January 1, 2016."

SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2016,
and shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31,
2015.

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Report Title:

Wagering Winnings; Tax Exemption; Waiver

Description:

Establishes a waiver program to exempt from income taxation gambling winnings legally acquired outside of the State during a consecutive 5-day period. Effective 1/1/16.

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