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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TAXATION.

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 part I to be appropriately
- 3 designated and to read as follows:
- 4 "§235- Hiring an elderly individual; income tax credit.
- 5 (a) There shall be allowed to each taxpayer subject to the tax
- 6 imposed by this chapter, a credit for the hiring of an elderly
- 7 individual, which shall be deductible from the taxpayer's net
- 8 income tax liability, if any, imposed by this chapter for the
- 9 taxable year in which the credit is properly claimed.
- 10 (b) The amount of the credit shall be equal to fifty per
- 11 cent of the qualified wages for the first six months after the
- 12 elderly individual is initially hired. A tax credit that
- 13 exceeds the taxpayer's income tax liability may be used as a
- 14 credit against the taxpayer's income tax liability in subsequent
- 15 years until exhausted; provided that in no taxable year shall
- 16 the total amount of the tax credit claimed under this section
- 17 exceed \$ per taxpayer.



1	<u>(c)</u>	The	following wages paid to an elderly individual are
2	ineligible	to	be claimed by the employer for this credit:
3	<u>(1)</u> <u>V</u>	Vage	s paid to an elderly individual who:
4	<u>.(</u>	(A)	Bears any of the relationships described in
5			section 152(d)(2)(A) through (G) of the Internal
6			Revenue Code to the taxpayer, or, if the taxpayer
7			is a corporation, to an individual who owns,
8			directly or indirectly, more than fifty per cent
9			in value of the outstanding stock of the
10			corporation (determined with the application of
11			section 267(c) of the Internal Revenue Code);
12		(B)	If the taxpayer is an estate or trust, is a
13			grantor, beneficiary, or fiduciary of the estate
14			or trust, or is an individual who bears any of
15			the relationships described in section
16			152(d)(2)(A) through (G) of the Internal Revenue
17			Code to a grantor, beneficiary, or fiduciary of
18			the estate or trust; or
19		(C)	Is a dependent (described in section 152(d)(2)(H)
20			of the Internal Revenue Code) of the taxpayer,
21			or, if the taxpayer is an estate or trust, of a

1	grantor, beneficiary, or fiduciary of the estate
2	or trust; and
3	(2) Wages paid to any elderly individual if, prior to the
4	day the individual is hired by the employer, the
5	individual had been employed by the employer at any
6	time.
7	(d) In the case of a successor employer referred to in
8	section 3306(b)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code, the
9	determination of the amount of the tax credit allowable under
10	this section with respect to wages paid by the successor
11	employer shall be made in the same manner as if the wages were
12	paid by the predecessor employer referred to in section
13	3306(b)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code.
14	(e) Claims for the tax credit under this section,
15	including any amended claims, shall be filed on or before the
16	end of the twelfth month following the taxable year for which
17	the credit may be claimed. Failure to comply with the foregoing
18	provision shall constitute a waiver of the right to claim the
19	tax credit.
20	(f) The director of taxation:

1	(1)	Shall prepare any forms necessary to claim a credit				
2		under this section;				
3	(2)	May require a taxpayer to furnish reasonable				
4		information to ascertain the validity of a claim for				
5		credit; and				
6	(3)	May adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91 to effectuate				
7		the purposes of this section.				
8	(g)	For purposes of this section:				
9	<u>"Eld</u>	erly individual" means an individual who is sixty years				
10	of age or older.					
11	"Qua	lified wages" means wages attributable to work rendered				
12	by an eld	erly individual for the six-month period after the				
13	individua	l is initially hired.				
14	"Wag	es" means wages, commissions, fees, salaries, bonuses,				
15	and every and all other kinds of remuneration for, or					
16	compensat	ion attributable to, services performed by an employee				
17	for the e	mployee's employer, including the cash value of all				
18	remunerat	ion paid in any medium other than cash and the cost-of-				
19	living al	lowances and other payments included in gross income by				
20	section 2	35-7(b), but excluding income excluded from gross				
21	income by	section 235-7 or other provisions of this chapter."				

1	SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.
2	SECTION 3. This Act, upon its approval, shall apply to
3	taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017.
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Report Title:

Kauai County Package; Taxation; Income Tax Credit; Elderly Persons; Employment

Description:

Provides to a taxpayer who hires an elderly individual a nonrefundable tax credit for the 6-month period after the individual is initially hired by the taxpayer.

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