HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE, 2019 STATE OF HAWAII H.B. NO. <sup>844</sup> H.D. 1

# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TAXATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. (a) The taxation rebalancing and repurposing 2 task force is established within the department of taxation for 3 administrative purposes only. The task force shall study the 4 need to rebalance and repurpose the tax programs under the 5 State's general excise tax law, income tax law, and property tax 6 law. Specifically, the task force shall consider opportunities 7 to make the administration of these programs more effective and 8 efficient so that the programs are reallocated and realigned to: 9 Respond to the needs and desires of the residents in (1) 10 the State; 11 Minimize the duplication and redundancy of state (2)12 resources; 13 (3) Ensure that tax revenues are used for the programs 14 that generated them; and 15 Lower the state tax burden on businesses and residents (4)16 while ensuring that quality government services are 17 provided to residents of the State and visitors.



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1 The task force shall consist of the following members (b) 2 or their designee: 3 (1)The governor, who shall serve as chairperson; 4 (2)The mayor of each county; 5 (3) The speaker of the house of representatives; and 6 (4)The president of the senate. 7 (C) Members of the task force shall be exempt from section 8 26-34, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and members shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for reasonable expenses 9 necessary for the performance of their duties, including travel 10 11 expenses. 12 The task force shall submit a report of its findings (d) and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the 13 legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of 14 15 the regular session of 2020. 16 The department of taxation shall provide (e) administrative and clerical support required by the task force. 17 18 The task force shall cease to exist on June 30, 2020. (f) 19 SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2030.



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**Report Title:** Taxation; Task Force; Rebalancing and Repurposing

#### Description:

Establishes a task force in the Department of Taxation to discuss the need to rebalance and repurpose the tax programs created by the general excise tax, income tax, and property tax laws. (HB844 HD1)

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