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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 III to be appropriately
- 3 designated and to read as follows:
- 4 "§235- Tax credit for early childhood educators. (a)
- 5 There shall be allowed to each taxpayer subject to the taxes
- 6 imposed by this chapter, an income tax credit that shall be
- 7 deductible from the taxpayer's net income tax liability, if any,
- 8 imposed by this chapter for the taxable year in which the credit
- 9 is properly claimed.
- 10 (b) The amount of the credit shall be \$ for each
- 11 taxpayer who is employed as an early childhood educator by a
- 12 child care facility in the State.
- 13 (c) If the tax credit claimed by the taxpayer exceeds the
- 14 amount of income tax payment due from the taxpayer, the excess
- 15 of the credit over payments due shall be refunded to the
- 16 taxpayer; provided that a tax credit under this section properly
- 17 claimed by an individual who has no income tax liability shall

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| 1  | be paid to the taxpayer; and provided further that no refunds o |
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| 2  | payment on account of the tax credit allowed by this section    |
| 3  | shall be made for amounts less than \$1.                        |
| 4  | (d) All claims for a tax credit under this section,             |
| 5  | including amended claims, shall be filed on or before the end o |
| 6  | the twelfth month following the close of the taxable year for   |
| 7  | which the tax credit may be claimed. Failure to comply with th  |
| 8  | foregoing provision shall constitute a waiver of the right to   |
| 9  | claim the tax credit.   |
| 10 | (e) No other tax credit or deduction shall be claimed           |
| 11 | under this chapter for the certain expenses used to claim a tax |
| 12 | credit under this section for the taxable year.                 |
| 13 | (f) The director of taxation:                                   |
| 14 | (1) Shall prepare, with assistance from the department of       |
| 15 | human services, any forms necessary to claim a tax              |
| 16 | credit under this section;                                      |
| 17 | (2) May require the taxpayer to furnish reasonable              |
| 18 | information to ascertain the validity of the claim fo           |
| 19 | the tax credit made under this section; and                     |
| 20 | (3) May adopt rules, pursuant to chapter 91, to effectuat       |

this section.

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| 1 | (g) As used in this section:                               |
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| 2 | "Child care facility" means a licensed child care facility |
| 3 | as defined under section 346-151.                          |
| 4 | "Early childhood educator" means a person who works        |
| 5 | directly with a child in a child care facility."           |
| 6 | SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.          |
| 7 | SECTION 3. This Act, upon its approval, shall apply to     |
| 8 | taxable years beginning after December 31, 2019.           |
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|   | INTRODUCED BY:   |

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#### Report Title:

Taxation; Refundable Tax Credit; Early Childhood Educators, Child Care Facilities

### Description:

Establishes a refundable tax credit for each taxpayer who is employed as an early childhood educator by a child care facility in the State. Defines "child care facility" and "early childhood educator." Applies to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2019.

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