# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ESTATE TAX INFLATION ADJUSTMENT.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 236E-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended by amending the definition of "applicable generation-
- 3 skipping transfer tax rate" to read as follows:
- 4 ""Applicable generation-skipping transfer tax rate" means
- 5 2.25 per cent multiplied by the inclusion ratio with respect to
- 6 any property transferred in a generation-skipping transfer as
- 7 determined under section 2642 of the Internal Revenue Code as
- 8 amended as of December 21, 2017[-], and, for generation-skipping
- 9 transfers occurring after December 31, 2020, the basic exclusion
- 10 amount used shall include the inflation adjustment under section
- 11 2010(c)(3)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended
- 12 as of December 21, 2017, but as computed by the department."
- SECTION 2. Section 236E-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 14 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
- "(a) An exclusion from a Hawaii taxable estate shall be
- 16 allowed to the estate of every decedent against the tax imposed

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- 1 by section 236E-8. For the purpose of this section, the
- 2 applicable exclusion amount is equal to:
- 3 (1) The federal applicable exclusion amount;
- 4 (2) The exemption equivalent of the unified credit reduced
- 5 by the amount of taxable gifts made by the decedent
- 6 that reduces the amount of the federal applicable
- 7 exclusion amount; or
- 8 (3) The exemption equivalent of the unified credit on the
- 9 decedent's federal estate tax return,
- 10 as set forth for the decedent in chapter 11 of the Internal
- 11 Revenue Code as amended as of December 21, 2017, [as if the
- 12 decedent died on December 31, 2017, and, for decedents dying
- 13 after December 31, 2020, to include the inflation adjustment
- 14 under section 2010(c)(3)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of
- 15 1986, as amended as of December 21, 2017, but as computed by the
- 16 department, and as further adjusted pursuant to subsection (b)."
- 17 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 18 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 19 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050, and
- 20 shall apply to decedents dying and taxable transfers occurring
- 21 after December 31, 2020.

### Report Title:

Estate Tax; Decedents; Applicable Exclusion Amount; Inflation Adjustment; Conformity to the Internal Revenue Code

#### Description:

Requires Hawaii's estate tax applicable exclusion amount to be calculated by utilizing the federal Internal Revenue Service inflation adjustment mechanism. Applies to decedents dying and taxable transfers occurring after 12/31/2020. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)

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