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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO VEHICLE WEIGHT TAX.

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

SECTION 1. Section 249-6.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"[+] §249-6.5 [+] Exemption for Hawaii National Guard and military reserves ~~[, and other active duty military personnel]~~ claiming Hawaii as their residence of record ~~[,]~~; spouses; disabled veterans. [One] (a) No more than a total of two noncommercial motor ~~[vehicle]~~ vehicles registered to a member of the Hawaii National Guard ~~[,]~~ or military reserve ~~[, or armed service, including the Coast Guard,]~~ who is:

- (1) Assigned to a unit in the State; ~~[and]~~
- (2) A member in good standing ~~[,]~~ as determined by the member's commander; and
- (3) Claims Hawaii as the service member's residence of record,
or registered to or for use by the spouse of that service member, shall be exempt from the vehicle weight tax provided for in this chapter.



(b) No more than a total of two noncommercial motor vehicles registered to a disabled veteran who:

(1) Is a resident of Hawaii;

(2) Has been other than dishonorably discharged from the United States uniformed armed forces;

(3) Is determined by the United States Department of Veteran Affairs or its predecessor to have a service-connected one hundred per cent disability rating for compensation or a service-connected disability rating of one hundred per cent; and

(4) Is in receipt of disability retirement pay from any branch of the uniformed armed forces,

shall be exempt from the vehicle weight tax provided for in this chapter; provided that the exemption under this subsection shall be non-transferrable.

(c) For purposes of this section, a service member's residence of record shall be established by proof of the following:

(1) Hawaii state tax return for the most recent calendar year;

(2) Current Hawaii driver's license; or



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1 (3) Hawaii voter registration."

2 SECTION 2. One noncommercial motor vehicle registered to a
3 member of armed service, including the Coast Guard, who is:

4 (1) Assigned to a unit in the State; and

5 (2) A member in good standing as determined by the
6 member's commander,

7 shall be exempt from the vehicle weight tax provided for in
8 chapter 249, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

9 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
10 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

11 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval;
12 provided that section 3 shall be repealed on January 1, 2022.

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Report Title:

Vehicle Weight Tax; Exemption; Military; Hawaii National Guard; Military Reserves; Spouses; Veteran; Disability; Counties

Description:

Repeals the county vehicle weight tax exemption for active duty military personnel who are stationed at a military installation or assigned active military duty in the State as of January 1, 2022. Expands the county vehicle weight tax exemption to include spouses of Hawaii National Guard or military reserves members who claim Hawaii as their residence of record and disabled veterans. Increases the total number of vehicles that are qualified for the weight tax exemption under certain conditions.

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