A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO A WEALTH ASSET TAX.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The Hawaii Revised Statutes is amended by
- 2 adding a new chapter to be appropriately designated and to read
- 3 as follows:
- 4 "CHAPTER
- 5 WEALTH ASSET TAX
- 6 § -1 Definitions. As used in this chapter:
- 7 "Department" means the department of taxation.
- 8 "Director" means the director of taxation.
- 9 "Taxpayer" means a person subject to a tax imposed by this
- 10 chapter, including individuals, estates, and trusts.
- 11 § -2 Imposition of tax. There is hereby imposed and
- 12 shall be levied, collected, and paid, a tax on the activity of
- 13 sustaining excessive accumulations of wealth by every qualified
- 14 taxpayer.
- 15 § -3 Basis and rate; wealth asset tax. (a) The tax
- 16 imposed by section -2 shall be one per cent of the state net
- 17 worth of each individual taxpayer who holds \$20,000,000 or more

- 1 in assets in the State; provided that the individual taxpayer's
- 2 net worth shall be based on the individual's assets, not joint
- 3 assets, and a married individual shall file a separate return;
- 4 provided further that if the taxpayer pays a wealth asset tax on
- 5 the same asset in a different state, the amount paid to the
- 6 other state shall be subtracted from the state tax liability.
- 7 (b) A taxpayer's state net worth shall be determined
- 8 pursuant to rules adopted by the department; provided that a
- 9 taxpayer's state net worth shall include but not be limited to
- 10 the aggregate value of assets in the following categories:
- 11 (1) Real Property;
- 12 (2) Stock in any publicly and privately traded
- 13 C-corporation;
- 14 (3) Stock in any S-corporation;
- 15 (4) Interests in any partnership;
- 16 (5) Interests in any private equity or hedge fund;
- 17 (6) Interests in any other noncorporate business;
- 18 (7) Bonds and interest-bearing savings accounts;
- 19 (8) Cash and deposits;
- 20 (9) Farm assets;
- 21 (10) Interest in mutual funds or index funds;

- 1 (11) Put and call options on securities;
- 2 (12) Futures contracts;
- 3 (13) Art and collectables;
- 4 (14) Financial assets held offshore;
- 5 (15) Pension funds;
- 6 (16) Debts owed to the taxpayer; and
- 7 (17) Other assets.
- 8 § -4 Reporting and payment. (a) Assets used to
- 9 determine state net worth pursuant to section -3(b) shall be
- 10 reported in a form and manner specified by the director.
- 11 (b) The tax imposed by this chapter shall be reported
- 12 with, and payable at the same time as, taxes imposed pursuant to
- 13 chapter 235.
- 14 § -5 Assets belonging to dependents. For the purpose of
- 15 determining state net worth and tax liability under this
- 16 chapter, any assets belonging to a person who can be claimed as
- 17 a dependent that are in excess of \$50,000 shall be deemed to be
- 18 assets of the taxpayer who can claim the person as a dependent.
- 19 § -6 Valuation of assets. Valuation or appraisal of
- 20 assets reported pursuant to section -3(b) shall be done in a

- 1 manner specified by the director in accordance with rules
- 2 adopted by the department.
- 3 § -7 Forms. The director shall prescribe forms to be
- 4 used in filing return and reports required by this chapter.
- 5 S -8 Rules. The department shall adopt rules in
- 6 accordance with chapter 91 to implement this chapter."
- 7 SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect on July 30, 2075.

Report Title:

Wealth Asset Tax; Wealth Tax; Department of Taxation

Description:

Establishes a wealth asset tax of one per cent of the state net worth of each individual taxpayer who holds \$20,000,000 or more in assets in the State. Takes effect 7/30/75. (SD1)

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