



GOV. MSG. NO. 1266

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS
KE KE'ENA O KE KIA'ĀINA

JOSH GREEN, M.D.
GOVERNOR
KE KIA'ĀINA

June 30, 2023

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate,
and Members of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

✓ The Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, and Members of the
House of Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 431
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on June 30, 2023, the following bill was signed into law:

HB954 HD2 SD2 CD1

RELATING TO TAXATION.
ACT 163

Sincerely,

Josh Green, M.D.
Governor, State of Hawai'i

on JUN 30 2023

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2023
STATE OF HAWAII

H.B. NO. 954
H.D. 2
S.D. 2
C.D. 1

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TAXATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 235-55.6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

3 "(c) Dollar limit on amount creditable. The amount of the
4 employment-related expenses incurred during any taxable year
5 which may be taken into account under subsection (a) shall not
6 exceed:

7 (1) [~~\$2,400~~] \$10,000 if there is one qualifying individual
8 with respect to the taxpayer for such taxable year, or

9 (2) [~~\$4,800~~] \$20,000 if there are two or more qualifying
10 individuals with respect to the taxpayer for such
11 taxable year.

12 The amount determined under paragraph (1) or (2) (whichever is
13 applicable) shall be reduced by the aggregate amount excludable
14 from gross income under section 129 (with respect to dependent
15 care assistance programs) of the Internal Revenue Code for the
16 taxable year."



1 SECTION 2. Section 235-55.75, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

3 "(a) Each qualifying individual taxpayer may claim a
4 refundable earned income tax credit. The tax credit, for the
5 appropriate taxable year, shall be [~~twenty~~] forty per cent of
6 the federal earned income tax credit allowed and properly
7 claimed under section 32 of the Internal Revenue Code and
8 reported as such on the individual's federal income tax return."

9 SECTION 3. Section 235-55.85, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
10 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

11 "(b) Each individual taxpayer may claim a refundable
12 food/excise tax credit multiplied by the number of qualified
13 exemptions to which the taxpayer is entitled in accordance with
14 the table below; provided that [~~a husband and wife~~] spouses
15 filing separate tax returns for a taxable year for which a joint
16 return could have been filed by them shall claim only the tax
17 credit to which they would have been entitled had a joint return
18 been filed.

19

20 [~~Adjusted gross income~~ ~~Credit per exemption~~
21 ~~for taxpayers filing~~



1	a single return	
2	Under \$5,000	\$110
3	\$5,000 under \$10,000	\$100
4	\$10,000 under \$15,000	\$ 85
5	\$15,000 under \$20,000	\$ 70
6	\$20,000 under \$30,000	\$ 55
7	\$30,000 and over	\$ 0.
8		
9	Adjusted gross income	Credit per exemption
10	for heads of household,	
11	married individuals filing	
12	separate returns, and	
13	married couples filing	
14	joint returns	
15	Under \$5,000	\$110
16	\$5,000 under \$10,000	\$100
17	\$10,000 under \$15,000	\$ 85
18	\$15,000 under \$20,000	\$ 70
19	\$20,000 under \$30,000	\$ 55
20	\$30,000 under \$40,000	\$ 45
21	\$40,000 under \$50,000	\$ 35



1	\$50,000 and over	\$ 0.]
2	<u>Adjusted gross income</u>	<u>Credit per exemption</u>
3	<u>for taxpayers filing</u>	
4	<u>a single return</u>	
5	<u>Under \$15,000</u>	<u>\$220</u>
6	<u>\$15,000 under \$20,000</u>	<u>\$200</u>
7	<u>\$20,000 under \$25,000</u>	<u>\$170</u>
8	<u>\$25,000 under \$30,000</u>	<u>\$140</u>
9	<u>\$30,000 under \$40,000</u>	<u>\$110</u>
10	<u>\$40,000 and over</u>	<u>\$ 0.</u>
11		
12	<u>Adjusted gross income</u>	<u>Credit per exemption</u>
13	<u>for heads of household,</u>	
14	<u>surviving spouses,</u>	
15	<u>spouses filing</u>	
16	<u>separate returns, and</u>	
17	<u>married couples filing</u>	
18	<u>joint returns</u>	
19	<u>Under \$15,000</u>	<u>\$220</u>
20	<u>\$15,000 under \$20,000</u>	<u>\$200</u>
21	<u>\$20,000 under \$25,000</u>	<u>\$170</u>



1	<u>\$25,000 under \$30,000</u>	<u>\$140</u>
2	<u>\$30,000 under \$40,000</u>	<u>\$110</u>
3	<u>\$40,000 under \$50,000</u>	<u>\$ 90</u>
4	<u>\$50,000 under \$60,000</u>	<u>\$ 70</u>
5	<u>\$60,000 and over</u>	<u>\$ 0."</u>

6 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
7 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

8 SECTION 5. This Act, upon its approval, shall apply to
9 taxable years beginning after December 31, 2022; provided that
10 on December 31, 2027, this Act shall be repealed and sections
11 235-55.6(c), 235-55.75(a), and 235-55.85(b), Hawaii Revised
12 Statutes, shall be reenacted in the form in which they read on
13 the day prior to the effective date of this Act.

APPROVED this 30th day of June , 2023



GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII



HB No. 954, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: May 2, 2023
Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirty-Second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2023.



Scott K. Saiki
Speaker
House of Representatives

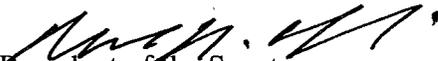


Brian L. Takeshita
Chief Clerk
House of Representatives

THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

Date: May 2, 2023
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate of the Thirty-Second Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2023.



President of the Senate



Clerk of the Senate