A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the present historic
- 2 preservation income tax credit, as authorized in section
- 3 235-110.97, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is to be replaced on
- 4 December 31, 2024. Given this, the existing historic
- 5 preservation income tax credit will no longer be available
- 6 following the close of the 2024 taxable year for qualified
- 7 rehabilitation projects. The repeal of the tax credit will
- 8 diminish the ability of property owners, especially those from
- 9 lower income brackets, to rehabilitate and remain in historic
- 10 single family residences. This will come as a great economic
- 11 loss for those homeowners who wish to assist with the
- 12 rehabilitation and continued use of historic buildings in the
- 13 State which are central to the preservation of Hawaiian history
- 14 and culture.
- 15 The purpose of this Act is to extend the historic
- 16 preservation income tax credit through 2030 and incrementally

- 1 increase the ceiling on total credits from \$1,500,000 to
- 2 \$4,000,000 during this period.
- 3 SECTION 2. Section 235-110.97, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 4 amended as follows:
- 5 1. By amending subsection (b) to read:
- 6 "(b) In the case of a partnership, S corporation, estate,
- 7 trust, or any developer of a rehabilitated certified historic
- 8 structure, the tax credit allowable shall be as provided under
- 9 subsection (d) for the taxable year. [The cost upon which the
- 10 credit is computed shall be determined at the entity level and
- 11 the distribution and share of the tax credit shall be determined
- 12 pursuant to section 704(b) of the Internal Revenue Code.]
- 13 If a deduction is taken under section 179 (with respect to
- 14 election to expense depreciable business assets) of the Internal
- 15 Revenue Code, no tax credit shall be allowed for that portion of
- 16 the qualified expense for which the deduction is taken.
- 17 The basis of eligible property for depreciation or
- 18 accelerated cost recovery system purposes for state income taxes
- 19 shall be reduced by the amount of credit allowable and claimed.
- 20 In the alternative, the taxpayer shall treat the amount of the
- 21 credit allowable and claimed as a taxable income item for the

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taxable year in which it is properly recognized under the method
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    of accounting used to compute taxable income."
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         2. By amending subsection (i) to read:
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         "(i)
               The aggregate amount of the tax credits claimed for
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    qualified rehabilitation projects shall not exceed:
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         (1)
              $1,000,000 for the 2020 taxable year;
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         (2)
              $1,000,000 for the 2021 taxable year;
              $1,000,000 for the 2022 taxable year;
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         (3)
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         (4)
              $1,000,000 for the 2023 taxable year; [and]
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              $1,000,000 for the 2024 taxable year [-];
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         (6)
              $1,500,000 for the 2025 taxable year;
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         (7)
              $2,000,000 for the 2026 taxable year;
         (8) $2,500,000 for the 2027 taxable year;
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         (9)
              $3,000,000 for the 2028 taxable year;
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        (10)
              $3,500,000 for the 2029 taxable year; and
        (11) $4,000,000 for the 2030 taxable year."
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         SECTION 3. Act 267, Session Laws of Hawaii 2019, is
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    amended by amending section 3 to read as follows:
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"SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019,

and shall be repealed on December 31, [2024.] 2030."

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- 1 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 3 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.

Report Title:

Historic Preservation Tax Credit; Extension

Description:

Extends the sunset date for the Historic Preservation Tax Credit to December 31, 2030, and incrementally increases the cap on the total tax credits from \$1,000,000 in the 2025 taxable year to \$4,000,000 in the 2030 taxable year. Takes effect 7/1/2050. (SD1)

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