HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE, 2025 STATE OF HAWAII

H.R. NO. 68

HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO ENACT LEGISLATION TO EXEMPT RESIDENTS OF HAWAII FROM THE FEDERAL INCOME TAX.

WHEREAS, the State of Hawaii is geographically isolated 1 from the continental United States, creating unique economic 2 challenges for its residents, including a high cost of living, 3 limited employment opportunities, and reliance on imported 4 5 goods; and 6 WHEREAS, Hawaii consistently ranks among the states having 7 the highest cost of living, with residents facing substantial 8 housing, food, and transportation expenses that significantly 9 exceed national averages; and 10 11 WHEREAS, the federal income tax places an additional 12 financial burden on Hawaii residents, exacerbating the economic 13 disparities faced by the State's working families, retirees, and 14 small businesses; and 15 16 WHEREAS, Alaska and other jurisdictions have received 17 unique federal tax considerations due to their geographic and 18 economic circumstances, setting a precedent for Hawaii to seek 19 similar relief; and 20 21 WHEREAS, granting an exemption from federal income tax for 22 residents of Hawaii would alleviate economic hardship, promote 23 financial stability, and foster local economic growth; now, 24 therefore, 25 26 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 27 Thirty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session 28 of 2025, that the United States Congress is respectfully urged 29 to enact legislation to exempt residents of Hawaii from the 30 federal income tax; and 31 32

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Hawaii's congressional 1 delegation is urged to introduce and support federal legislation 2 that provides tax relief specifically for Hawaii residents; and 3 4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 5 Resolution be transmitted to the President pro Tempore, Majority 6 Leader, and Minority Leader of the United States Senate; the 7 Speaker, Majority Leader, and Minority Leader of the United 8 States House of Representatives; and each member of Hawaii's 9 congressional delegation. 10 11 12 13 OFFERED BY:

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