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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CIGARETTE TAX.

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

1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to clarify that the 2 moneys earmarked from the cigarette tax collected on each 3 cigarette sold pursuant to section 245-15, Hawaii Revised 4 Statutes, for deposit into the Hawaii cancer research special fund, the trauma system special fund, the emergency medical 5 6 services special fund, and the community health centers special 7 fund shall be assessed on a per cigarette basis. In addition, 8 this Act ensures that moneys are earmarked for each special fund 9 through 2011 and beyond.

10 SECTION 2. Section 245-15, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 11 amended to read as follows:

12 "§245-15 Disposition of revenues. All moneys collected 13 pursuant to this chapter shall be paid into the state treasury 14 as state realizations to be kept and accounted for as provided 15 by law; provided that, of the moneys collected under the tax 16 imposed pursuant to section 245-3(a) that represents the 17 difference between the 7.0 cents for each cigarette sold, used,



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1	or possessed by a wholesaler or dealer under section [$245-$				
2	$\frac{3(a)(1)}{245-3(a)(4)}$ and the amount of tax imposed and collected				
3	on each cigarette sold, used, or possessed by a wholesaler or				
4	dealer under [section 245-3(a)(2), (3), (4), (5), (6), and (7):]				
5	the following:				
6	(1)	[Fro i	m] <u>Section 245-3(a)(5), after</u> September 30, 2006 <u>,</u>		
7		and	prior to [September 29,] <u>October 1,</u> 2007, 1.0 cent		
8		per	cigarette shall be deposited to the credit of the		
9		Hawa	ii cancer research special fund, established		
10		purs	uant to section [+]304A-2168[+], for research and		
11		oper	ating expenses;		
12	(2)	[Fro	m] <u>Section 245-3(a)(6), after</u> September 30, 2007 <u>,</u>		
13		and	prior to [September 29,] <u>October 1,</u> 2008:		
14		(A)	1.5 cents per cigarette shall be deposited to the		
15			credit of the Hawaii cancer research special		
16			fund, established pursuant to section		
17			[+]304A-2168[+], for research and operating		
18			expenses; [and]		
19		(B)	0.25 cents [of the moneys] <u>per cigarette</u> shall be		
20			deposited to the credit of the trauma system		
21			special fund established pursuant to section		
22			321-22.5; and		



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1		(C)	0.25 cents [of the moneys] <u>per cigarette</u> shall be
2			deposited to the credit of the emergency medical
3			services special fund established pursuant to
4			section 321-234;
5	(3)	[Fro	m] <u>Section 245-3(a)(7), after</u> September 30, 2008 <u>,</u>
6		and g	prior to [September 29,] <u>October 1,</u> 2009:
7		(A)	2.0 cents per cigarette shall be deposited to the
8			credit of the Hawaii cancer research special
9			fund, established pursuant to section
10			[+]304A-2168[+], for research and operating
11			expenses; [and]
12		(B)	0.5 cents [of the moneys] <u>per cigarette</u> shall be
13			deposited to the credit of the trauma system
14			special fund established pursuant to section
15			321-22.5;
16		(C)	0.25 cents [of the moneys] <u>per cigarette</u> shall be
17			deposited to the credit of the community health
18			centers special fund; <u>and</u>
19		(D)	0.25 cents [of the moneys] <u>per cigarette</u> shall be
20			deposited to the credit of the emergency medical
21			services special fund established pursuant to
22			section 321-234;



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1	(4)	[From] <u>Section 245-3(a)(8), after</u> September 30, 2009 <u>,</u>
2		and prior to [September 29,] October 1, 2010:
3		(A) 2.0 cents <u>per cigarette</u> shall be deposited to the
4		credit of the Hawaii cancer research special
5		fund, established pursuant to section
6		[+]304A-2168[+], for research and operating
7		expenses; [and]
8		(B) 0.75 cents [of the moneys] <u>per cigarette</u> shall be
9		deposited to the credit of the trauma system
10		special fund established pursuant to section
11		321-22.5;
12		(C) 0.75 cents [of the moneys] <u>per cigarette</u> shall be
13		deposited to the credit of the community health
14		centers special fund; and
15		(D) 0.5 cents [of the moneys] <u>per cigarette</u> shall be
16		deposited to the credit of the emergency medical
17		services special fund established pursuant to
18		section 321-234;
19	(5)	[From] Section 245-3(a)(9), after September 30, 2010,
20		and prior to [September 29,] October 1, 2011:
21		(A) 2.0 cents <u>per cigarette</u> shall be deposited to the
22		credit of the Hawaii cancer research special



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1			fund, established pursuant to section
2			[+]304A-2168[+], for research and operating
3			expenses; [and]
4		(B)	1.0 cent [of the moneys] <u>per cigarette</u> shall be
5			deposited to the credit of the trauma system
6			special fund established pursuant to section
7			321-22.5;
8		(C)	1.0 cent [of the moneys] <u>per cigarette</u> shall be
9			deposited to the credit of the community health
10			centers special fund; and
11		(D)	1.0 cent [of the moneys] <u>per cigarette</u> shall be
12			deposited to the credit of the emergency medical
13			services special fund established pursuant to
14			section 321-234; <u>and</u>
15	(6)	[Fre	m] <u>Section 245-3(a)(10), after</u> September 30, 2011 <u>,</u>
16		and	thereafter:
17		(A)	2.0 cents per cigarette shall be deposited to the
18			credit of the Hawaii cancer research special
19			fund, established pursuant to section
20			[+]304A-2168[+], for research and operating
21			expenses; [and]



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1	(B)	1.5 cents [of the moneys] <u>per cigarette</u> shall be
2		deposited to the credit of the trauma system
3		special fund established pursuant to section
4		321-22.5;
5	(C)	1.25 cents [of the moneys] per cigarette shall be
6		deposited to the credit of the community health
7		centers special fund; <u>and</u>
8	(D)	1.25 cents [of the moneys] <u>per cigarette</u> shall be
9		deposited to the credit of the emergency medical
10		services special fund established pursuant to
11		section 321-234.
12	The department	shall provide an annual accounting of these
13	dispositions t	o the legislature."
14	SECTION 3	. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
15	and stricken.	New statutory material is underscored.
16	SECTION 4	. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



Report Title:

Health Research; Cigarette Tax

Description:

Clarifies that the cigarette tax money earmarked to fund the cancer research center of Hawaii, emergency medical services, trauma care, and community health centers shall be calculated on a per cigarette basis. (HB225 HD1)

