DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION ANNOUNCEMENT NO. 2011-17

RE: Act 102, Session Laws of Hawaii, Relating to Taxation

On June 9, 2011, Governor Neil Abercrombie signed into law House Bill 828 HD2, SD1, CD1 as Act 102, Session Laws of Hawaii 2011.

This Act takes effect on July 1, 2011, and amends Section 231-96, Hawaii Revised Statutes to clarify violations of record and receipt requirements when more than ten taxable business transactions are conducted per day in cash.

Act 102 replaces the requirement to provide a receipt or other record of these cash transactions with a requirement to offer such a receipt, and adds a requirement to maintain a contemporaneously generated record of all business transactions conducted each day. The Act also clarifies that these required receipts and records may be either handwritten or generated by a manually operated or electronic cash register.

Furthermore, Act 102 provides that if a person or business is otherwise in compliance with Title 14 at the time of a violation of these record and receipt requirements, the fine for said violation will be commensurate with the violation, as determined by the Department of Taxation administrative rules adopted pursuant to Chapter 91.

For more information on this Act, please contact the Technical Section at 808-587-1577 or by e-mail at Tax.Technical.Section@hawaii.gov.

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