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LEGISLATIVE BILL 272

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Committee:

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section
- 2 77-3506, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change
- 3 provisions relating to homestead exemptions for certain disabled
- 4 veterans and surviving spouses as prescribed; and to repeal the
- 5 original section.
- 6 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 **Section 1.** Section 77-3506, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
2 2024, is amended to read:

3 77-3506 (1) All homesteads in this state shall be assessed for
4 taxation the same as other property, except that:

5 ~~(a) There there shall be exempt from taxation, on any homestead~~
6 ~~described in subdivision (2)(a), (b), (c), (d), (e), or (f) subsection~~
7 ~~{2} of this section, one hundred percent of the exempt amount; and -~~

8 (b) There shall be exempt from taxation, on any homestead described
9 in subdivision (2)(g) of this section, a percentage of the exempt amount.
10 The percentage of the exempt amount shall be equal to the disability
11 percentage of the veteran of the homestead.

12 (2) The exemption described in subsection (1) of this section shall
13 apply to homesteads of:

14 (a) A veteran who was discharged or otherwise separated with a
15 characterization of honorable or general (under honorable conditions),
16 who is drawing compensation from the United States Department of Veterans
17 Affairs because of one hundred percent service-connected permanent
18 disability, and who is not eligible for total exemption under sections
19 77-3526 to 77-3528;

20 (b) An unremarried surviving spouse of a veteran described in
21 subdivision (2)(a) of this section or a surviving spouse of such a
22 veteran who remarries after attaining the age of fifty-seven years;

23 (c) A veteran who was discharged or otherwise separated with a
24 characterization of honorable or general (under honorable conditions),
25 who is drawing compensation from the United States Department of Veterans
26 Affairs because of one hundred percent service-connected temporary
27 disability, and who is not eligible for total exemption under sections
28 77-3526 to 77-3528, an unremarried spouse of such a veteran, or a
29 surviving spouse of such a veteran who remarries after attaining the age
30 of fifty-seven years;

31 (d) An unremarried surviving spouse of any veteran, including a

1 veteran other than a veteran described in section 80-401.01, who was
2 discharged or otherwise separated with a characterization of honorable or
3 general (under honorable conditions) and who died because of a service-
4 connected disability or a surviving spouse of such a veteran who
5 remarries after attaining the age of fifty-seven years;

6 (e) An unremarried surviving spouse of a serviceman or servicewoman,
7 including a veteran other than a veteran described in section 80-401.01,
8 whose death while on active duty was service-connected or a surviving
9 spouse of such a serviceman or servicewoman who remarries after attaining
10 the age of fifty-seven years; ~~and~~

11 (f) An unremarried surviving spouse of a serviceman or servicewoman
12 who died while on active duty during the periods described in section
13 80-401.01 or a surviving spouse of such a serviceman or servicewoman who
14 remarries after attaining the age of fifty-seven years; and -

15 (g) Beginning January 1, 2026, a veteran who was discharged or
16 otherwise separated with a characterization of honorable or general
17 (under honorable conditions), who is drawing compensation from the United
18 States Department of Veterans Affairs because the veteran is at least ten
19 percent disabled but less than one hundred percent disabled due to a
20 service-connected disability, and who is not eligible for total exemption
21 under sections 77-3526 to 77-3528, an unremarried surviving spouse of
22 such a veteran, or a surviving spouse of such a veteran who remarries
23 after attaining the age of fifty-seven years.

24 (3) Application for exemption under subdivision (2)(a) of this
25 section shall be required in every subsequent year evenly divisible by
26 five and shall include certification of the status described in
27 subdivision (2)(a) of this section from the United States Department of
28 Veterans Affairs. Application for exemption under subdivision (2)(b),
29 (c), (d), (e), ~~or (f),~~ or (g) of this section shall be required annually
30 and shall include certification of the status described in subdivision
31 (2)(b), (c), (d), (e), ~~or (f),~~ or (g) of this section from the United

1 States Department of Veterans Affairs, except that such certification of
2 status shall only be required in every subsequent year evenly divisible
3 by five.

4 **Sec. 2.** Original section 77-3506, Revised Statutes Cumulative
5 Supplement, 2024, is repealed.