

HB 1257 -- Redline

Printer's No. 1936 to Printer's No. 1383 -- A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for exemptions and special provisions.

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~~1936 PRIOR PRINTER'S NO.~~

WILLIAMS, STEELE, GREEN, ~~CONKLIN~~, CONKLIN ~~CIRESI~~ AND ~~DOUGHERTY~~, CIRESI, APRIL 17, 2025 ~~AS REFERRED~~ REPORTED TO ~~FROM~~ COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY ~~JUNE~~ PREPAREDNESS, ~~16, APRIL 2025~~ 17, HOUSE ~~2025~~ OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, A JOINT RESOLUTION Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for exemptions and special provisions.

This exemption shall be extended to the unmarried surviving spouse upon the death of an eligible veteran provided that the State Veterans' Commission determines that such person is in need of the exemption.] A veteran of the ~~United States~~ Armed Forces, including a reserve component of the United States Armed Forces, who has been rated by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or its successor as 100% permanent and totally disabled or compensated at the 100% disability rate through a Federal program that provides compensation to veterans who are unable to work due to a service-connected disability shall be exempt from payment of real property taxes.

~~A VETERAN OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES, INCLUDING A RESERVE COMPONENT OR THE NATIONAL GUARD, WITH A SERVICE-CONNECTED DISABILITY WHO HAS BEEN DISCHARGED OR RELEASED FROM SERVICE UNDER CONDITIONS OTHER THAN DISHONORABLE SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM THE PAYMENT OF REAL PROPERTY TAXES IMPOSED BY THE COMMONWEALTH OR ANY OF ITS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS ON THE PRIMARY RESIDENCE OCCUPIED BY THE VETERAN AS FOLLOWS:~~

~~(1) IF THE VETERAN HAS BEEN RATED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS OR ITS SUCCESSOR AS NOT LESS THAN 50% DISABLED UP TO 100% DISABLED, THE VETERAN SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM THE PAYMENT OF A PORTION OF REAL PROPERTY TAXES EQUIVALENT TO THE DISABILITY RATING OF THE VETERAN.~~

~~(2) A VETERAN WHO IS COMPENSATED AT THE 100% DISABILITY RATE THROUGH A FEDERAL PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES COMPENSATION TO VETERANS WHO ARE UNABLE TO WORK DUE TO A SERVICE-CONNECTED DISABILITY AND THE UNMARRIED SURVIVING SPOUSE OF A SERVICE MEMBER WHO DIED IN THE LINE OF DUTY, WAS TAKEN AS A PRISONER OF WAR OR WAS DECLARED MISSING IN ACTION SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM THE PAYMENT OF ALL REAL PROPERTY TAXES.~~

~~(3) THE EXEMPTION UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL APPLY TO THE UNMARRIED SURVIVING SPOUSE OF A VETERAN WHO WAS DEEMED ELIGIBLE FOR THE EXEMPTION PRIOR TO THE DEATH OF THE ELIGIBLE VETERAN.~~

(1) Upon the first passage by the General Assembly of the amendment, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall 20250HB1257PN1383 - 2 - proceed immediately to comply with the advertising requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall ~~20250HB1257PN1936 - 3 -~~ submit the amendment to the qualified electors of this Commonwealth at the first general or municipal election which meets the requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

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