### LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA

### ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

## SECOND SESSION

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 1362**

Introduced by McDonnell, 5.

Read first time January 17, 2024

#### Committee:

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to property taxes; to amend section 77-201,
- 2 Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022; to change provisions
- 3 relating to the valuation of residential property; to provide for
- 4 applicability; and to repeal the original section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

- 1 Section 1. Section 77-201, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 2 2022, is amended to read:
- 77-201 (1) Except as provided in subsections (2) through (5) (4) of
- 4 this section, all real property in this state, not expressly exempt
- 5 therefrom, shall be subject to taxation and shall be valued at its actual
- 6 value.
- 7 (2) Agricultural land and horticultural land as defined in section
- 8 77-1359 shall constitute a separate and distinct class of property for
- 9 purposes of property taxation, shall be subject to taxation, unless
- 10 expressly exempt from taxation, and shall be valued at seventy-five
- 11 percent of its actual value, except that for school district taxes levied
- 12 to pay the principal and interest on bonds that are approved by a vote of
- 13 the people on or after January 1, 2022, such land shall be valued at
- 14 fifty percent of its actual value.
- 15 (3) Agricultural land and horticultural land actively devoted to
- 16 agricultural or horticultural purposes which has value for purposes other
- 17 than agricultural or horticultural uses and which meets the
- 18 qualifications for special valuation under section 77-1344 shall
- 19 constitute a separate and distinct class of property for purposes of
- 20 property taxation, shall be subject to taxation, and shall be valued for
- 21 taxation at seventy-five percent of its special valuation as defined in
- 22 section 77-1343, except that for school district taxes levied to pay the
- 23 principal and interest on bonds that are approved by a vote of the people
- 24 on or after January 1, 2022, such land shall be valued at fifty percent
- of its special valuation as defined in section 77-1343.
- 26 (4) Historically significant real property which meets the
- 27 qualifications for historic rehabilitation valuation under sections
- 28 77-1385 to 77-1394 shall be valued for taxation as provided in such
- 29 sections.
- 30 (5)(a) Residential property shall be valued for taxation at its
- 31 actual value, except that the valuations for such property shall not

- 1 increase by more than five percent per year.
- 2 (b) Since the effectiveness of this subsection is dependent upon the
- 3 adoption of an amendment to the Constitution of Nebraska, this subsection
- 4 shall not be in force or take effect until the date on which the Governor
- 5 proclaims such a constitutional amendment, at which time this subsection
- 6 <u>shall be in full force and effect.</u>
- 7 <u>(6)</u> Tangible personal property, not including motor vehicles,
- 8 trailers, and semitrailers registered for operation on the highways of
- 9 this state, shall constitute a separate and distinct class of property
- 10 for purposes of property taxation, shall be subject to taxation, unless
- 11 expressly exempt from taxation, and shall be valued at its net book
- 12 value. Tangible personal property transferred as a gift or devise or as
- 13 part of a transaction which is not a purchase shall be subject to
- 14 taxation based upon the date the property was acquired by the previous
- 15 owner and at the previous owner's Nebraska adjusted basis. Tangible
- 16 personal property acquired as replacement property for converted property
- 17 shall be subject to taxation based upon the date the converted property
- 18 was acquired and at the Nebraska adjusted basis of the converted property
- 19 unless insurance proceeds are payable by reason of the conversion. For
- 20 purposes of this subsection, (a) converted property means tangible
- 21 personal property which is compulsorily or involuntarily converted as a
- 22 result of its destruction in whole or in part, theft, seizure,
- 23 requisition, or condemnation, or the threat or imminence thereof, and no
- 24 gain or loss is recognized for federal or state income tax purposes by
- 25 the holder of the property as a result of the conversion and (b)
- 26 replacement property means tangible personal property acquired within two
- 27 years after the close of the calendar year in which tangible personal
- 28 property was converted and which is, except for date of construction or
- 29 manufacture, substantially the same as the converted property.
- 30 Sec. 2. Original section 77-201, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 31 Supplement, 2022, is repealed.