

General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 447

February Session, 2024

AN ACT CONCERNING THE FAILURE TO FILE FOR CERTAIN GRAND LIST EXEMPTIONS AND AUTHORIZING THE DEFERRAL OF A CERTAIN MUNICIPALITY'S REAL PROPERTY REVALUATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (Effective July 1, 2024) Notwithstanding the provisions of 2 subdivision (76) of section 12-81 of the general statutes, any person 3 otherwise eligible for a 2023 grand list exemption pursuant to said 4 subdivision (76) in the town of Litchfield, except that such person failed 5 to file the required exemption application within the time period 6 prescribed, shall be regarded as having filed said application in a timely 7 manner if such person files said application not later than thirty days 8 after the effective date of this section, and pays the late filing fee 9 pursuant to section 12-81k of the general statutes. Upon confirmation of 10 the receipt of such fee and verification of the exemption eligibility of the 11 machinery and equipment included in such application, the assessor 12 shall approve the exemption for such property. If taxes, interest or 13 penalties have been paid on the property for which such exemption is 14 approved, the town of Litchfield shall reimburse such person in an 15 amount equal to the amount by which such taxes, interest or penalties 16 exceed any taxes payable if the application had been filed in a timely 17 manner.

Sec. 2. (Effective July 1, 2024) Notwithstanding the provisions of

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19 section 12-89 of the general statutes, any person otherwise eligible for a 20 2021 grand list exemption pursuant to subdivision (58) of section 12-81 21 of the general statutes in the town of Manchester, except that such 22 person failed to file the required exemption application within the time 23 period prescribed, shall be regarded as having filed such application in 24 a timely manner if such person files such application not later than thirty 25 days after the effective date of this section and pays any applicable late 26 filing fee prescribed by the general statutes. Upon confirmation of the 27 receipt of such fee, if applicable, and verification of the exemption 28 eligibility of such property, the assessor shall approve the exemption for 29 such property. If taxes, interest or penalties have been paid on the 30 property for which such exemption is approved, the town of 31 Manchester shall reimburse such person in an amount equal to the 32 amount by which such taxes, interest and penalties exceed any taxes 33 payable if the application had been filed in a timely manner.

34 Sec. 3. (Effective July 1, 2024) Notwithstanding the provisions of 35 subsection (c) of subdivision (11) of section 12-81 of the general statutes 36 and section 12-87a of the general statutes, any person otherwise eligible 37 for a 2021 and 2022 grand list exemption in the town of Middletown, 38 except that such person failed to submit evidence of certification 39 pursuant to section 12-89a of the general statutes within the time period 40 prescribed by the assessor or board of assessors or failed to file the 41 required statements within the time period prescribed, or both, shall be 42 regarded as having filed such evidence of certification or statements in 43 a timely manner if such person files such evidence of certification or 44 statements, or both, as required by the assessor, not later than thirty 45 days after the effective date of this section and pays the late filing fees 46 pursuant to section 12-87a of the general statutes. Upon confirmation of 47 the receipt of such fees and verification of the exemption eligibility of 48 such property, the assessor shall approve the exemptions for such 49 property. If taxes, interest or penalties have been paid on the property 50 for which such exemptions are approved, the town of Middletown shall 51 reimburse such person in an amount equal to the amount by which such 52 taxes, interest and penalties exceed any taxes payable if the evidence of 53 certification or statements, or both, had been filed in a timely manner.

54 Sec. 4. (Effective July 1, 2024) Notwithstanding the provisions of 55 subdivision (76) of section 12-81 of the general statutes, any person 56 otherwise eligible for a 2022 grand list exemption pursuant to said 57 subdivision (76) in the town of Thomaston, except that such person 58 failed to file the required exemption application within the time period 59 prescribed, shall be regarded as having filed said application in a timely 60 manner if such person files said application not later than thirty days 61 after the effective date of this section and pays the late filing fee 62 pursuant to section 12-81k of the general statutes. Upon confirmation of 63 the receipt of such fee and verification of the exemption eligibility of the 64 machinery and equipment included in such application, the assessor 65 shall approve the exemption for such property. If taxes, interest or 66 penalties have been paid on the property for which such exemption is 67 approved, the town of Thomaston shall reimburse such person in an 68 amount equal to the amount by which such taxes, interest or penalties 69 exceed any taxes payable if the application had been filed in a timely 70 manner.

71 Sec. 5. (Effective July 1, 2024) Notwithstanding the provisions of 72 subdivision (76) of section 12-81 of the general statutes, any person 73 otherwise eligible for a 2023 grand list exemption pursuant to said 74 subdivision (76) in the city of West Haven, except that such person failed 75 to file the required exemption application within the time period 76 prescribed, shall be regarded as having filed said application in a timely 77 manner if such person files said application not later than thirty days 78 after the effective date of this section, and pays the late filing fee 79 pursuant to section 12-81k of the general statutes. Upon confirmation of 80 the receipt of such fee and verification of the exemption eligibility of the 81 machinery and equipment included in such application, the assessor 82 shall approve the exemption for such property. If taxes, interest or 83 penalties have been paid on the property for which such exemption is 84 approved, the city of West Haven shall reimburse such person in an 85 amount equal to the amount by which such taxes, interest or penalties 86 exceed any taxes payable if the application had been filed in a timely

87 manner.

88 Sec. 6. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of 89 section 12-62 of the general statutes or any municipal charter, special act 90 or home rule ordinance, the town of Stratford may defer the 91 implementation of the revaluation of real property required for the 92 assessment year commencing October 1, 2024, until the assessment year 93 commencing October 1, 2025, provided such deferral is approved by the 94 legislative body of said town. The rate maker, as defined in section 12-95 131 of the general statutes, in said town may prepare new rate bills 96 under the provisions of chapter 204 of the general statutes in order to 97 carry out the provisions of this section. Any required revaluation 98 subsequent to any deferred implementation of a revaluation pursuant 99 to this section shall recommence at the point in the schedule prescribed 100 pursuant to section 12-62 of the general statutes that said town was 101 following prior to such deferral.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2024	New section
Sec. 2	July 1, 2024	New section
Sec. 3	July 1, 2024	New section
Sec. 4	July 1, 2024	New section
Sec. 5	July 1, 2024	New section
Sec. 6	from passage	New section

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