## LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 30**

Introduced by Day, 49.

Read first time July 26, 2024

## Committee:

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section
- 2 77-3506, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023; to change provisions
- 3 relating to homestead exemptions for certain disabled veterans and
- 4 surviving spouses as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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1 Section 1. Section 77-3506, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023, is

- 2 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 <u>(a) There</u> 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  $\pm$
- 8 (b) There shall be exempt from taxation, on any homestead described
- 9 in subdivision (2)(g) of this section, an amount equal to the applicable
- 10 <u>amount from subsection (3) of this section. Such amount shall be based on</u>
- 11 <u>the disability percentage of the veteran.</u>
- 12 (2) The exemption described in subsection (1) of this section shall
- 13 apply to homesteads of:
- (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;
- (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, 2025, 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) For a claimant described in subdivision (2)(g) of this section,
- 25 the exemption provided in this section shall be equal to the amount in
- 26 <u>Column B which corresponds with the veteran's disability percentage in</u>
- 27 Column A in the table found in this subsection.
- 28 <u>Column A</u> <u>Column B</u>
- 29 <u>Disability Percentage</u> <u>Exemption</u>
- 30 Of Veteran In Dollars
- 31 At least 90% but less than 100% disabled 1,000

1	At least 80% but less than 90	<u>% disabled</u>	<u>900</u>
2	At least 70% but less than 80	<u>% disabled</u>	<u>800</u>
3	At least 60% but less than 70	<u>% disabled</u>	<u>700</u>
4	At least 50% but less than 60	<u>% disabled</u>	<u>600</u>
5	At least 40% but less than 50	<u>% disabled</u>	<u>500</u>
6	At least 30% but less than 40	<u>% disabled</u>	<u>400</u>
7	At least 20% but less than 30	<u>% disabled</u>	<u>300</u>

At least 10% but less than 20% disabled

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(4) (3) Application for exemption under subdivision (2)(a) of this 9 section shall be required in every subsequent year evenly divisible by 10 five and shall include certification of the status described in 11 subdivision (2)(a) of this section from the United States Department of 12 Veterans Affairs. Application for exemption under subdivision (2)(b), 13 (c), (d), (e),  $\frac{\text{or}}{\text{or}}$  (f),  $\frac{\text{or}}{\text{or}}$  (g) of this section shall be required annually 14 and shall include certification of the status described in subdivision 15 16 (2)(b), (c), (d), (e), or (g) of this section from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, except that such certification of 17 status shall only be required in every subsequent year evenly divisible 18 by five. 19

Original section 77-3506, Revised Statutes Supplement,

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