House Study Bill 644 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE

BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS BILL BY CHAIRPERSON SALMON)

A BILL FOR

An Act relating to the military service property tax exemption
and credit and including applicability provisions.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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Section 1. Section 426A.11, subsection 1, Code 2022, is 1 2 amended by striking the subsection. Sec. 2. Section 426A.11, subsection 2, Code 2022, is amended 3 4 to read as follows: 5 2. The property, not to exceed one thousand eight hundred 6 fifty-two twenty-five thousand dollars in taxable value, of 7 an honorably separated, retired, furloughed to a reserve, 8 placed on inactive status, or discharged veteran, as defined in 9 section 35.1, subsection 2, paragraph "a" or "b". Sec. 3. APPLICABILITY. This Act applies to property taxes 10 11 due and payable in fiscal years beginning on or after July 1, 12 2022. 13 EXPLANATION 14 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with 15 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly. 16 This bill relates to the military service property tax 17 exemption and credit. 18 Under current law, veterans of World War I are entitled to a 19 property tax exemption of \$2,778 in taxable value and honorably 20 discharged veterans who served during other specific time 21 periods are entitled to a property tax exemption of \$1,852 in 22 taxable value. The bill increases the exemption amount for all 23 eligible veterans to \$25,000. 24 Under current law, the state provides funding to local 25 governments for the military service property tax exemption 26 and credit up to \$6.92 per \$1,000 of assessed value of the 27 exempt property. Code section 25B.7 provides that if a 28 state appropriation made to fund a credit or exemption is not 29 sufficient to fully fund the credit or exemption, the political 30 subdivision shall be required to extend to the taxpayer only 31 that portion of the credit or exemption estimated by the 32 department of revenue to be funded by the state appropriation. 33 The requirement for fully funding and the consequences of not 34 fully funding under Code section 25B.7 apply to the military 35 service property tax credit and exemption to the extent of

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1 \$6.92 per \$1,000 of assessed value of the exempt property.

2 The bill applies to property taxes due and payable in fiscal 3 years beginning on or after July 1, 2022.

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