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PROPERTY TAX Exclusion for Veterans with a Disability Increased

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Costs/Savings		Λ	

Department of Revenue

Analysis of H.F. 236 (Freiberg) / S.F. 772 (Mitchell) as introduced

	Fund Impact			
	F.Y. 2024	F.Y. 2025	F.Y. 2026	F.Y. 2027
	(000's)			
PTR Interaction – Veteran Homesteads	\$0	\$0	\$520	\$560
PTR Interaction – Other Homesteads	\$0	\$0	(\$210)	(\$230)
General Fund Total	\$0	\$0	\$310	\$330

Effective beginning with property taxes payable in 2024.

EXPLANATION OF THE BILL

The proposal would increase the maximum market value exclusion for homesteads of a veteran with a disability:

- from \$150,000 to \$165,000 for a veteran with a 70% or greater disability, and
- from \$300,000 to \$330,000 for a veteran with a total (100%) and permanent disability.

REVENUE ANALYSIS DETAIL

- There would be no impact on property taxes payable in 2024 since taxes have already been determined.
- There are approximately 23,000 homesteads currently receiving the exclusion.
- Under the proposal, approximately 16,000 homesteads would receive a larger exclusion for property taxes payable in 2025.
- The proposal would result in a net savings to the state of \$310,000 in fiscal year 2026 due to a reduction in state-paid homeowner property tax refunds (PTR) to qualifying homesteads.
- For taxes payable in 2025, the proposal would reduce state-paid homeowner refunds to qualifying homesteads by \$520,000, resulting in a savings to the state general fund.
- At the same time, the proposal would shift an estimated \$3.7 million in property taxes onto other properties, including other homesteads, increasing state-paid homeowner refunds by \$210,000. The overall savings to the state general fund is net of this cost.
- It is assumed that the number of homesteads that benefit under the proposal will increase by 5% annually; it is further assumed that the average refund will increase by 3% annually.
- Tax year impact is allocated to the following fiscal year.

Number of Taxpayers: Approximately 16,000 homesteads.

PROPERTY TAX BENCHMARKS (Minn. Stat. § 270C.991)

Transparency, Understandability, Simplicity & Accountability	Neutral
Efficiency & Compliance	Neutral
Equity (Vertical & Horizontal)	Neutral
Stability & Predictability	Neutral
Competitiveness for Businesses	Neutral
Responsiveness to Economic Conditions	Neutral

The bill is scored on a three-point scale (decrease, neutral, increase) for each principle in comparison to <u>current law.</u>

Source: Minnesota Department of Revenue Property Tax Division – Research Unit https://www.revenue.state.mn.us/revenue-analyses

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