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By: Representative Ladner

HOUSE BILL NO. 977

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 27-33-75, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, 2 TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION FOR PERSONS WHO ARE 3 SIXTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER OR WHO ARE TOTALLY DISABLED; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 5 SECTION 1. Section 27-33-75, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 6 7 amended as follows: 8 [With regard to any county that has not completed an update 9 in the valuation of Class I property, as designated by Section 10 112, Mississippi Constitution of 1890, in the county according to procedures prescribed by the State Tax Commission and in effect on 11 12 January 1, 2001, and has not implemented such valuations for the 13 purposes of ad valorem taxation, this section shall read as 14 follows:] 27-33-75. (1) Qualified homeowners described in subsection 15 (1) of Section 27-33-67 shall be allowed an exemption from ad 16 17 valorem taxes according to the following table: 18 ASSESSED VALUE HOMESTEAD 19 OF HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION

20	\$ 1	=	\$ 150\$	6.00
21	151	_	300	12.00
22	301	-	450	18.00
23	451	_	600	24.00
24	601	-	750	30.00
25	751	-	900	36.00
26	901	-	1,050	42.00
27	1,051	-	1,200	48.00
28	1,201	-	1,350	54.00
29	1,351	-	1,500	60.00
30	1,501	-	1,650	66.00
31	1,651	-	1,800	72.00
32	1,801	-	1,950	78.00
33	1,951	-	2,100	84.00
34	2,101	-	2,250	90.00
35	2,251	-	2,400	96.00
36	2,401	-	2,550	102.00
37	2,551	-	2,700	108.00
38	2,701	_	2,850	114.00
39	2,851	_	3,000	120.00
40	3,001	-	3,150	126.00
41	3 , 151	-	3,300	132.00
42	3,301	_	3,450	138.00
43	3 , 451	-	3,600	144.00
44	3,601	-	3,750	150.00

45	3,751 - 3,900
46	3,901 - 4,050
47	4,051 - 4,200
48	4,201 - 4,350
49	4,351 - 4,500
50	4,501 - 4,650
51	4,651 - 4,800
52	4,801 - 4,950
53	4,951 - 5,100
54	5,101 - 5,250
55	5,251 - 5,400
56	5,401 - 5,550
57	5,551 - 5,700
58	5,701 - 5,850
59	5,851 and above
60	Assessed values shall be rounded to the next whole dollar
61	(Fifty Cents (50¢) rounded to the next highest dollar) for the
62	purposes of the above table.
63	One-half $(1/2)$ of the exemption allowed in the above table
64	shall be from taxes levied for school district purposes and
65	one-half $(1/2)$ shall be from taxes levied for county general fund
66	purposes.
67	(2) Qualified homeowners described in subsection (2) of
68	Section 27-33-67 shall be allowed an exemption from all ad valorem

70	assessed value of the homestead property.
71	(3) This section shall apply to exemptions claimed in the
72	1988 calendar year for which reimbursement is made in the 1989
73	calendar year and to exemptions claimed for which reimbursement is
74	made in subsequent years.
75	[With regard to any county that has completed an update in
76	the valuation of Class I property, as designated by Section 112,
77	Mississippi Constitution of 1890, in the county according to
78	procedures prescribed by the State Tax Commission and in effect on
79	January 1, 2001, and for which the State Tax Commission has
80	certified that such new valuations have been implemented for the
81	purposes of ad valorem taxation, this section shall read as
82	follows:]
83	27-33-75. (1) Qualified homeowners described in subsection
84	(1) of Section 27-33-67 shall be allowed an exemption from ad
85	valorem taxes according to the following table:
86	ASSESSED VALUE HOMESTEAD
87	OF HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION
88	\$ 1 - \$ 150\$ 6.00
89	151 - 300
90	301 - 450
91	451 - 600
92	601 - 750 30.00
93	751 - 900

taxes on not in excess of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) of the

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94	901	-	1,050	42.00
95	1,051	_	1,200	48.00
96	1,201	_	1,350	54.00
97	1,351	_	1,500	60.00
98	1,501	_	1,650	66.00
99	1,651	-	1,800	72.00
100	1,801	_	1,950	78.00
101	1,951	-	2,100	84.00
102	2,101	-	2,250	90.00
103	2,251	-	2,400	96.00
104	2,401	-	2,550	102.00
105	2,551	-	2,700	108.00
106	2,701	-	2,850	114.00
107	2,851	-	3,000	120.00
108	3,001	-	3,150	126.00
109	3,151	-	3,300	132.00
110	3,301	-	3,450	138.00
111	3,451	-	3,600	144.00
112	3,601	-	3,750	150.00
113	3 , 751	_	3,900	156.00
114	3,901	_	4,050	162.00
115	4,051	_	4,200	168.00
116	4,201	_	4,350	174.00
117	4,351	_	4,500	180.00
118	4,501	-	4,650	186.00

119	4,651 - 4,800
120	4,801 - 4,950
121	4,951 - 5,100
122	5,101 - 5,250
123	5,251 - 5,400
124	5,401 - 5,550
125	5,551 - 5,700
126	5,701 - 5,850
127	5,851 - 6,000
128	6,001 - 6,150
129	6,151 - 6,300
130	6,301 - 6,450
131	6,451 - 6,600
132	6,601 - 6,750
133	6,751 - 6,900
134	6,901 - 7,050
135	7,051 - 7,200
136	7,201 - 7,350
137	7,351 and above 300.00
138	Assessed values shall be rounded to the next whole dollar
139	(Fifty Cents (50¢) rounded to the next highest dollar) for the
140	purposes of the above table.
141	One-half $(1/2)$ of the exemption allowed in the above table
142	shall be from taxes levied for school district purposes and

143	one-half	(1/2)	shall	be	from	taxes	levied	for	county	general	fund
144	purposes.										

- (2) (a) (i) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, qualified homeowners described in subsection (2) of Section 27-33-67 shall be allowed an exemption from all ad valorem taxes on not in excess of Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7,500.00) of the assessed value of the homestead property.
- (ii) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b)

 of this subsection, from and after January 1, 2018, qualified

 homeowners described in subsection (2) of Section 27-33-67 shall

 be allowed an exemption from all ad valorem taxes on not in excess

 of Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$12,500.00) of the

 assessed value of the homestead property.
 - (b) From and after January 1, 2015, qualified homeowners described in subsection (2)(a) of Section 27-33-67 and unremarried surviving spouses of such homeowners shall be allowed an exemption from all ad valorem taxes on the assessed value of the homestead property.
- 161 (3) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, this

 162 section shall apply to exemptions claimed in the 2001 calendar

 163 year for which reimbursement is made in the 2002 calendar year and

 164 to exemptions claimed for which reimbursement is made in

 165 subsequent years. The exemption provided for in subsection (2) (b)

 166 of this section shall apply to exemptions claimed in the 2015

 167 calendar year for which reimbursement is made in the 2016 calendar

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168	year and to exemptions claimed for which reimbursement is made in
169	subsequent years. The exemption provided for in subsection
170	(2)(a)(ii) of this section shall apply to exemptions claimed in
171	the 2018 calendar year for which reimbursement is made in the 2019
172	calendar year and to exemptions claimed for which reimbursement is
173	made in subsequent years.

174 SECTION 2. Nothing in this act shall affect or defeat any claim, assessment, appeal, suit, right or cause of action for 175 176 taxes due or accrued under the ad valorem tax laws before the date 177 on which this act becomes effective, whether such claims, 178 assessments, appeals, suits or actions have been begun before the 179 date on which this act becomes effective or are begun thereafter; 180 and the provisions of the ad valorem tax laws are expressly 181 continued in full force, effect and operation for the purpose of 182 the assessment, collection and enrollment of liens for any taxes 183 due or accrued and the execution of any warrant under such laws 184 before the date on which this act becomes effective, and for the 185 imposition of any penalties, forfeitures or claims for failure to 186 comply with such laws.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after January 1, 2018.