MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

REGULAR SESSION 2024

By: Representative Horne

To: Ways and Means

HOUSE BILL NO. 784

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 27-33-75, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, 2 TO PROVIDE THAT PERSONS WHO ARE SIXTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER 3 OR WHO ARE TOTALLY DISABLED SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM ALL AD VALOREM 4 TAXES ON THE ASSESSED VALUE OF HOMESTEAD PROPERTY; AND FOR RELATED 5 PURPOSES. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 6 7 SECTION 1. Section 27-33-75, Mississippi Code of 1972, is amended as follows: 8 27-33-75. (1) Oualified homeowners described in subsection 9 10 (1) of Section 27-33-67 shall be allowed an exemption from ad valorem taxes according to the following table: 11 12 ASSESSED VALUE HOMESTEAD OF HOMESTEAD 13 EXEMPTION 14 \$ 1 - \$ 150.....\$ 6.00 15 151 – 300..... 12.00 16 301 - 450..... 18.00 451 - 600..... 24.00 17 18 601 – 750..... 30.00 19 

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45	4,651 - 4,800 192.00					
46	4,801 - 4,950 198.00					
47	4,951 - 5,100 204.00					
48	5,101 - 5,250 210.00					
49	5,251 - 5,400 216.00					
50	5,401 - 5,550 222.00					
51	5,551 - 5,700 228.00					
52	5,701 - 5,850 234.00					
53	5,851 - 6,000 240.00					
54	6,001 - 6,150 246.00					
55	6,151 - 6,300 252.00					
56	6,301 - 6,450 258.00					
57	6,451 - 6,600 264.00					
58	6,601 - 6,750 270.00					
59	6,751 - 6,900 276.00					
60	6,901 - 7,050 282.00					
61	7,051 - 7,200 288.00					
62	7,201 - 7,350 294.00					
63	7,351 and above					
64	Assessed values shall be rounded to the next whole dollar					
65	(Fifty Cents (50¢) rounded to the next highest dollar) for the					
66	purposes of the above table.					
67	One-half $(1/2)$ of the exemption allowed in the above table					

68 shall be from taxes levied for school district purposes and

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(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.

76 (ii) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b) of 77 this subsection, from and after January 1, 2025, qualified 78 homeowners described in subsection (2) of Section 27-33-67 shall 79 be allowed an exemption from all ad valorem taxes on the assessed 80 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.

86 Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph (c), (C) 87 a qualified homeowner claiming an exemption under paragraph (a) 88 (i) of this subsection shall be allowed an additional exemption 89 from all ad valorem taxes on an amount equal to the difference 90 between (i) the assessed value of the homestead property on January 1, 2018, or January 1 of the first year for which the 91 92 qualified homeowner claims an exemption for the homestead property under paragraph (a) (i) of this subsection, and (ii) any increase 93

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94 in the assessed value of the homestead property resulting from a 95 subsequent update in valuation of the homestead property that is 96 completed during the time the qualified homeowner owns the property. In addition, if a subsequent update in valuation of the 97 98 homestead property that is completed during the time the qualified 99 homeowner owns the property results in the assessed value of the 100 homestead property being less than the assessed value of the 101 property on January 1, 2018, or January 1 of the first year for 102 which the qualified homeowner claims an exemption for the 103 homestead property under paragraph (a) (i) of this subsection, 104 then the exemption authorized under this paragraph (c) shall be on 105 an amount equal to the difference between (i) such lower assessed value and (ii) any increase in the assessed value of the homestead 106 107 property resulting from a subsequent update in valuation of the 108 homestead property that is completed during the time the qualified 109 homeowner owns the property. However, except for renovations, 110 expansions, improvements or additions to promote energy 111 efficiency, safety or access to the homestead property, the 112 exemption authorized in this paragraph (c) shall not apply to any 113 portion of increase in the assessed value of the homestead 114 property that is attributable to renovations, expansions or 115 improvements of or additions to the property during such time. For the purposes of this paragraph (c), an update in valuation of 116 117 the homestead property occurs when a county has completed an update in the valuation of Class I property, as designated by 118

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(d) From and after January 1, 2023, a qualified homeowner who is the unremarried surviving spouse of a member of the United States Armed Forces who was killed or died on active duty, or of a member of a reserve component of the United States Armed Forces or of the National Guard who was killed or died on active duty for training, shall be allowed an exemption from all ad valorem taxes on the assessed value of the homestead property.

131 Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, this (3) 132 section shall apply to exemptions claimed in the 2001 calendar year for which reimbursement is made in the 2002 calendar year and 133 134 to exemptions claimed for which reimbursement is made in 135 subsequent years. The exemption provided for in subsection (2)(b) of this section shall apply to exemptions claimed in the 2015 136 137 calendar year for which reimbursement is made in the 2016 calendar 138 year and to exemptions claimed for which reimbursement is made in 139 subsequent years. The exemption provided for in subsection (2)(c) 140 of this section shall apply to exemptions claimed in the 2018 calendar year for which reimbursement is made in the 2019 calendar 141 year and to exemptions claimed for which reimbursement is made in 142 subsequent years. The exemption provided for in subsection 143

H. B. No. 784 **~ OFFICIAL ~** 24/HR26/R786 PAGE 6 (BS\KW) 144 (2) (a) (ii) of this section shall apply to exemptions claimed in 145 the 2025 calendar year for which reimbursement is made in the 2026 146 calendar year and to exemptions claimed for which reimbursement is 147 made in subsequent years.

148 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from 149 and after July 1, 2024.

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