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Sixtieth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1051

Introduced by

Representatives Belter, Herbel

Senators Cook, Wardner

A BILL for an Act to create and enact sections 57-15-01.2 and 57-20-07.2 of the North Dakota 1

2 Century Code, relating to limitations on levies by taxing districts and a state-paid property tax

3 relief credit; to amend and reenact sections 57-02-08.1, 57-20-07.1, 57-20-09, 57-20-21.1, and

4 57-32-03 and subsection 1 of section 57-38-30.3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to

5 contents of property tax statements, income tax rates, priority for delinquent taxes, the

6 homestead property tax credit, and the discount for early payment of property taxes; to provide

7 an appropriation for state-paid property tax relief; and to provide an effective date.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

9 SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 57-02-08.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is 10 amended and reenacted as follows:

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57-02-08.1. Homestead credit.

12	1.	a.	Any person sixty-five years of age or older or permanently and totally
13			disabled, in the year in which the tax was levied, with an income that does not
14			exceed the limitations of subdivision c is entitled to receive a reduction in the
15			assessment on the taxable valuation on the person's homestead. An
16			exemption under this subsection applies regardless of whether the person is
17			the head of a family.
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18	b.	The exemption under this subsection continues to apply if the person does
19		not reside in the homestead and the person's absence is due to confinement
20		in a nursing home, hospital, or other care facility, for as long as the portion of
21		the homestead previously occupied by the person is not rented to another
22		person.

23 c. The exemption must be determined according to the following schedule:

1		(1)	If the person's income is not in excess of eight <u>ten</u> thousand five
2			hundred dollars, a reduction of one hundred percent of the taxable
3			valuation of the person's homestead up to a maximum reduction of
4			three thousand thirty-eight dollars of taxable valuation.
5		(2)	If the person's income is in excess of eight <u>ten</u> thousand five hundred
6			dollars and not in excess of ten twelve thousand dollars, a reduction of
7			eighty percent of the taxable valuation of the person's homestead up to
8			a maximum reduction of two thousand four hundred thirty dollars of
9			taxable valuation.
10		(3)	If the person's income is in excess of ten twelve thousand dollars and
11			not in excess of eleven <u>fourteen</u> thousand five hundred dollars, a
12			reduction of sixty percent of the taxable valuation of the person's
13			homestead up to a maximum reduction of one thousand eight hundred
14			twenty-three dollars of taxable valuation.
15		(4)	If the person's income is in excess of eleven fourteen thousand five
16			hundred dollars and not in excess of thirteen sixteen thousand dollars,
17			a reduction of forty percent of the taxable valuation of the person's
18			homestead up to a maximum reduction of one thousand two hundred
19			fifteen dollars of taxable valuation.
20		(5)	If the person's income is in excess of thirteen sixteen thousand dollars
21			and not in excess of fourteen seventeen thousand five hundred dollars,
22			a reduction of twenty percent of the taxable valuation of the person's
23			homestead up to a maximum reduction of six hundred eight dollars of
24			taxable valuation.
25	d.	Perso	ons residing together, as spouses or when one or more is a dependent of
26		another, are entitled to only one exemption between or among them under	
27		this s	ubsection. Persons residing together, who are not spouses or
28		dependents, who are coowners of the property are each entitled to a	
29		percentage of a full exemption under this subsection equal to their ownership	
30		interests in the property.	

1		e.	This subsection does not reduce the liability of any person for special
2			assessments levied upon any property.
3		f.	Any person claiming the exemption under this subsection shall sign a verified
4			statement of facts establishing the person's eligibility.
5		g.	A person is ineligible for the exemption under this subsection if the value of
6			the assets of the person and any dependent residing with the person,
7			excluding the unencumbered value of the person's residence that the person
8			claims as a homestead, exceeds fifty thousand dollars, including the value of
9			any assets divested within the last three years. For purposes of this
10			subdivision, the unencumbered valuation of the homestead is limited to one
11			hundred thousand dollars.
12		h.	The assessor shall attach the statement filed under subdivision f to the
13			assessment sheet and shall show the reduction on the assessment sheet.
14		i.	An exemption under this subsection terminates at the end of the taxable year
15			of the death of the applicant.
16	2.	a.	Any person who would qualify for an exemption under subdivisions a and c of
17			subsection 1 except for the fact that the person rents living quarters is eligible
18			for refund of a portion of the person's annual rent deemed by this subsection
19			to constitute the payment of property tax.
20		b.	For the purpose of this subsection, twenty percent of the annual rent,
21			exclusive of any federal rent subsidy and of charges for any utilities, services,
22			furniture, furnishings, or personal property appliances furnished by the
23			landlord as part of the rental agreement, whether expressly set out in the
24			rental agreement, must be considered as payment made for property tax.
25			When any part of the twenty percent of the annual rent exceeds four percent
26			of the annual income of a qualified applicant, the applicant is entitled to
27			receive a refund from the state general fund for that amount in excess of four
28			percent of the person's annual income, but the refund may not be in excess of
29			two hundred forty dollars. If the calculation for the refund is less than five
30			dollars, a minimum of five dollars must be sent to the qualifying applicant.

1	C.	Persons who reside together, as spouses or when one or more is a
2		dependent of another, are entitled to only one refund between or among them
3		under this subsection. Persons who reside together in a rental unit, who are
4		not spouses or dependents, are each entitled to apply for a refund based on
5		the rent paid by that person.
6	d.	Each application for refund under this subsection must be made to the tax
7		commissioner before the first day of June of each year by the person claiming
8		the refund. The tax commissioner may grant an extension of time to file an
9		application for good cause. The tax commissioner shall issue refunds to
10		applicants.
11	e.	This subsection does not apply to rents or fees paid by a person for any living
12		quarters, including a nursing home licensed pursuant to section 23-16-01, if
13		those living quarters are exempt from property taxation and the owner is not
14		making a payment in lieu of property taxes.

- 15f.A person may not receive a refund under this section for a taxable year in16which that person received an exemption under subsection 1.
- All forms necessary to effectuate this section must be prescribed, designed, and
 made available by the tax commissioner. The county directors of tax equalization
 shall make these forms available upon request.
- A person whose homestead is a farm structure exempt from taxation under
 subsection 15 of section 57-02-08 may not receive any property tax credit under
 this section.
- 23 5. For the purposes of this section:
- 24 a. "Dependent" has the same meaning it has for federal income tax purposes.
- b. "Homestead" has the same meaning as provided in section 47-18-01.
- c. "Income" means income for the most recent complete taxable year from all
 sources, including the income of any dependent of the applicant, and
 including any county, state, or federal public assistance benefits, social
 security, or other retirement benefits, but excluding any federal rent subsidy,
 any amount excluded from income by federal or state law, and medical

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1		expenses paid during the year by the applicant or the applicant's dependent
2		which is not compensated by insurance or other means.
3	d	. "Medical expenses" has the same meaning as it has for state income tax
4		purposes, except that for transportation for medical care the person may use
5		the standard mileage rate allowed for state officer and employee use of a
6		motor vehicle under section 54-06-09.
7	e	. "Permanently and totally disabled" means the inability to engage in any
8		substantial gainful activity by reason of any medically determinable physical
9		or mental impairment which can be expected to result in death or has lasted
10		or can be expected to last for a continuous period of not less than twelve
11		months as established by a certificate from a licensed physician.
12	SECT	ION 2. Section 57-15-01.2 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and
13	enacted as fo	llows:
14	<u>57-15</u>	01.2. Limitation on levies by taxing districts.
15	<u>1.</u> <u>N</u>	lotwithstanding that a taxing district may have unused or excess levy authority
16	<u>u</u>	nder any other provision of law, this section limits that authority. This section may
17	<u>n</u>	ot be interpreted as authority to increase any levy limitation otherwise provided by
18	<u>la</u>	aw and may only be applied to limit any unused or excess levy authority that a
19	<u>ta</u>	axing district may otherwise be entitled to use. Property taxes in dollars levied by
20	<u>a</u>	taxing district may not exceed by more than three and one-half percent the
21	<u>h</u>	ighest amount levied in dollars by that taxing district against taxable property in
22	<u>tł</u>	nat taxing district in the three preceding taxable years except:
23	<u>a</u>	. When an improvement to property has been made or property has been
24		added to the taxing district which was not taxable in the previous taxable
25		year, the additional taxable valuation attributable to the improvement or
26		additional property is taxable without regard to the limitation under this
27		subsection.
28	<u>b</u>	. When a property tax exemption existed in the previous taxable year which
29		has been reduced or no longer exists, the portion of the taxable valuation of
30		the property which is no longer exempt is not subject to the limitation in this
31		subsection.

1		<u>C.</u>	When a property tax exemption exists for property that was taxable in the	
2			previous year, the amount levied in dollars in the previous taxable year by the	
3			taxing district must be reduced by the amount determined by applying the	
4			previous year's calculated mill rate for that taxing district to the previous	
5			year's taxable valuation of that property before the three and one-half percent	
6			increase allowable under this subsection is applied.	
7		<u>d.</u>	When temporary mill levy increases authorized by the electors of the taxing	
8			district or mill levies authorized by state law existed in the previous taxable	
9			year but are no longer applicable or have been reduced, the amount levied in	
10			dollars in the previous taxable year by the taxing district must be adjusted to	
11			reflect the expired temporary mill levy increases and the reduced or	
12			eliminated mill levies authorized by state law before the three and one-half	
13			percent increase allowable under this subsection is applied.	
14	<u>2.</u>	The	e limitation under subsection 1 does not apply to:	
15		<u>a.</u>	New or increased mill levies authorized by state law or the electors of the	
16			taxing district which did not exist in the previous taxable year.	
17		<u>b.</u>	Any irrepealable tax to pay bonded indebtedness levied under section 16 of	
18			article X of the Constitution of North Dakota.	
19		<u>C.</u>	A county emergency fund levy under section 57-15-28 or a city emergency	
20			fund levy under section 57-15-48.	
21	<u>3.</u>	<u>The</u>	The mill rate applied to property that was not taxed in the previous taxable year	
22		ma	y not exceed the mill rate determined by law for the current taxable year for	
23		pro	perty that was taxed in the previous taxable year.	
24	<u>4.</u>	<u>The</u>	e limitation under this section may not be superseded by a city or county under	
25		hor	ne rule authority but may be suspended within a taxing district by approval of a	
26		ma	ority of electors of the taxing district voting on the question at a regular or	
27		<u>spe</u>	cial election of the taxing district.	
28	SEC	стю	N 3. AMENDMENT. Section 57-20-07.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is	
29	amended a	nd re	eenacted as follows:	
30	57-20-07.1. County treasurer to mail real estate tax statement. On or before			
31	1 December twenty-sixth of each year, the county treasurer shall mail a real estate tax statement			

1 to the owner of each parcel of real property at the owner's last-known address. The statement 2 must be provided in a manner that allows the taxpayer to retain a printed record of the 3 obligation for payment of taxes and special assessments as provided in the statement. If a 4 parcel of real property is owned by more than one individual, the county treasurer shall send 5 only one statement to one of the owners of that property. Additional copies of the tax statement 6 will be sent to the other owners upon their request and the furnishing of their names and 7 addresses to the county treasurer. Such tax statements The tax statement must include a 8 dollar valuation of the true and full value as defined by law of the property and the total mill levy 9 applicable. The tax statement must include a line item with the statement "State-paid property tax relief credit" and the dollar amount of the credit for the parcel under section 57-20-07.2, if 10 11 that credit applies to that parcel. Failure of an owner to receive a statement will not relieve that 12 owner of liability, nor extend the discount privilege past the February fifteenth deadline. 13 SECTION 4. Section 57-20-07.2 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and 14 enacted as follows: 15 57-20-07.2. State-paid property tax relief credit. 16 The owner of a parcel of taxable residential, agricultural, or commercial property, 1. 17 or property containing one or more of those classifications of taxable property, is 18 entitled to a credit against property taxes levied against that property. 19 The credit applies to the total amount of property taxes in dollars levied a. 20 against the taxable value of the property. The credit is equal to: 21 (1)Ten percent of property taxes in dollars levied against residential 22 property owned and occupied by an individual as that individual's 23 homestead; 24 (2) Five percent of property taxes in dollars levied against commercial or 25 agricultural property, if the individual primarily responsible for 26 management decisions regarding that property has an ownership 27 interest of at least twenty percent in that property and owns and 28 occupies residential property or a mobile home in this state as that 29 person's homestead;

1		<u>(3)</u>	Ten percent of mobile home taxes in dollars levied against residential		
2			mobile homes under chapter 57-55 if the mobile home is owned and		
3			occupied by an individual as that individual's homestead; or		
4		<u>(4)</u>	Five percent of mobile home taxes in dollars levied against commercial		
5			mobile homes under chapter 57-55 if the individual primarily		
6			responsible for management decisions regarding that property has an		
7			ownership interest of at least twenty percent in that property and owns		
8			and occupies residential property or a mobile home in this state as that		
9			individual's homestead.		
10		<u>b.</u> <u>Ifap</u>	arcel of property contains residential property and agricultural or		
11		comr	nercial property, or residential and both agricultural and commercial		
12		prope	erty, the county treasurer shall allow the credit in the appropriate		
13		perce	entage under subdivision a against property taxes in dollars levied		
14		<u>agair</u>	st each classification of property on the parcel.		
15	<u>2.</u>	The owne	r, operator, or lessee of railroad property assessed by the state board of		
16		equalization under chapter 57-05 is entitled to a credit against property taxes			
17		levied with	in each county against that property in the amount of five percent of		
18		property ta	axes levied in dollars against that property.		
19	<u>3.</u>	<u>The owne</u>	r, operator, or lessee of operative property of an air carrier transportation		
20		company a	assessed and taxed under chapter 57-32 is entitled to a credit in the		
21		amount of	amount of five percent of taxes in dollars levied against that property. The tax		
22		commissio	oner shall determine the total amount of credits under this subsection and		
23		certify the	amount to the state treasurer for transfer from the general fund to the air		
24		transporta	tion fund. The credit for each air transportation company must be		
25		allocated t	to each city or municipal airport authority where that company makes		
26		regularly s	cheduled landings, in the same manner as the tax collected from that		
27		<u>company i</u>	s allocated.		
28	<u>4.</u>	The tax co	ommissioner shall determine the total amount of credits under		
29		subsections 1 and 2 for each county from the abstract of the tax list filed by the			
30		county au	ditor under section 57-20-04, as audited and corrected by the tax		
31		commissio	oner. The tax commissioner shall certify to the state treasurer for		

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1		payment, by June first following receipt of the abstract of the tax list, the amount				
2		determined for each county under this subsection. No penalty or interest applies				
3		to any state payment under this section, regardless of when the payment is made.				
4	<u>5.</u>	Upon receipt of the payment from the state treasurer under subsection 4, the				
5		county treasurer shall apportion and distribute it to the county and the taxing				
6		districts in the county on the basis on which the general real estate tax for the				
7		preceding year is apportioned and distributed.				
8	<u>6.</u>	After payments to counties under subsection 4 have been made, the tax				
9		commissioner shall certify to the state treasurer as necessary any supplemental				
10		amounts payable to counties or the air transportation fund or any amounts that				
11		must be returned by counties or returned from the air transportation fund for				
12		deposit in the state general fund to correct any errors in payments or reflect any				
13		abatement or compromise of taxes, court-ordered tax reduction or increase, or levy				
14		of taxes against omitted property. The county auditor shall provide any				
15		supplemental information requested by the tax commissioner after submission of				
16		the abstract of the tax list. The county treasurer shall apply to the tax				
17		commissioner for any supplemental payments to which the county treasurer				
18		believes the county is entitled.				
19	<u>7.</u>	Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the property tax credit under this				
20		section does not apply to any property other than mobile homes subject to				
21		payments or taxes in lieu of personal or real property taxes.				
22	SEC	CTION 5. AMENDMENT. Section 57-20-09 of the North Dakota Century Code is				
23	amended and reenacted as follows:					
24	57-20-09. Discount for early payment of tax. Except as provided in section					
25	57-20-21.1, the county treasurer shall allow a five percent discount to all taxpayers who shall					
26	pay all of the real estate taxes levied on any tract or parcel of real property in any one year in					
27	full on or before February fifteenth prior to the date of delinquency. Such discount applies, after					
28	deduction of any credit allowed under section 57-20-07.2, to the net remaining amount of all					
29	general real estate taxes levied for state, county, city, township, school district, fire district, park					
30	district, and any other taxing districts but does not apply to personal property taxes or special					
31	assessment installments. Whenever the board of county commissioners, by resolution,					

determines that an emergency exists in the county by virtue of weather or other catastrophe, it
 may extend the discount period for an additional thirty days.

3 SECTION 6. AMENDMENT. Section 57-20-21.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is
4 amended and reenacted as follows:

5 57-20-21.1. Priority for delinguent taxes. When payment is made for any real or 6 personal property taxes or special assessments, payments must be applied first to the oldest 7 unpaid delinguent taxes or special assessments due, if any, shown to exist upon the property 8 for which the tax payments are made, including any penalty and interest, except payments of 9 state-paid property tax relief credit made by the state must be applied to taxes for the year for 10 which the state-paid property tax relief credit is granted. The discounts applicable to payment 11 of taxes set out in section 57-20-09 do not apply to payment of taxes made on property upon 12 which tax payments are delinguent.

SECTION 7. AMENDMENT. Section 57-32-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is
amended and reenacted as follows:

15 57-32-03. Tax statements prepared by state tax commissioner - When due and 16 delinguent. On or before the thirty-first day of March in each year, the tax commissioner shall 17 provide each company assessed under the provisions of this chapter a statement of its taxes 18 due for the preceding year, with the valuations and taxes assessed in each case. The tax 19 statement must include a line item with the statement "State-paid property tax relief credit" and 20 the dollar amount of the credit that applies against the taxes due for the preceding year under 21 section 57-20-07.2. Such taxes are due upon the fifteenth day of April next following the date 22 of the statement of taxes due. The taxes become delinquent on the first day of May next 23 following the due date and, if not paid on or before said date, are subject to a penalty of two 24 percent and, on June first following delinguency, an additional penalty of two percent and, on 25 July first following delinguency, an additional penalty of two percent and, an additional penalty 26 of two percent on October fifteenth following delinquency. From and after January first of the 27 year following the year in which the taxes became due and payable, simple interest at the rate 28 of twelve percent per annum upon the principal of the unpaid taxes must be charged until such 29 taxes and penalties are paid, with such interest charges to be prorated to the nearest full month 30 for a fractional year of delinquency. All the provisions of the law respecting delinquency of

personal property assessments generally so far as may be consistent with the provisions of this
 chapter are applicable equally to the assessments and taxes provided for in this chapter.

3 SECTION 8. AMENDMENT. Subsection 1 of section 57-38-30.3 of the North Dakota
4 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

5 A tax is hereby imposed for each taxable year upon income earned or received in 1. 6 that taxable year by every resident and nonresident individual, estate, and trust. A 7 taxpayer computing the tax under this section is only eligible for those adjustments 8 or credits that are specifically provided for in this section. Provided, that for 9 purposes of this section, any person required to file a state income tax return 10 under this chapter, but who has not computed a federal taxable income figure, 11 shall compute a federal taxable income figure using a pro forma return in order to 12 determine a federal taxable income figure to be used as a starting point in 13 computing state income tax under this section. The tax for individuals is equal to 14 North Dakota taxable income multiplied by the rates in the applicable rate schedule in subdivisions a through d corresponding to an individual's filing status used for 15 16 federal income tax purposes. For an estate or trust, the schedule in subdivision e 17 must be used for purposes of this subsection. 18 Single, other than head of household or surviving spouse. a.

If North Dakota taxable income is:	The tax is equal to:
Not over \$27,050	2.10%
Over \$27,050	\$568.05
\$65,550	over \$27,050
Over \$65,550 <u>\$77,100</u> but not over	\$2,077.25
\$136,750	over \$65,550
Over \$136,750	\$5,167.33
over \$297,350	over \$136,750
Over \$297,350	\$13,261.57 <u>\$15,595.44</u> plus 5.54% of amount
	over \$297,350
b. Married filing jointly and	surviving spouse.
If North Dakota taxable income is:	The tax is equal to:
	Not over \$27,050 <u>\$31,850</u> Over \$27,050 <u>\$31,850</u> but not over \$65,550 <u>\$77,100</u> Over \$65,550 <u>\$77,100</u> but not over \$136,750 <u>\$160,850</u> Over \$136,750 <u>\$160,850</u> but not over \$297,350 <u>\$349,700</u> Over \$297,350 <u>\$349,700</u> b. Married filing jointly and

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 Not over \$45,200 \$63,700
 2.10%

1	Over \$45,200 <u>\$63,700</u> but not over	\$949.20
2	\$109,250 \$154,200	over \$45,200 <u>\$63,700</u>
3	Over \$109,250- <u>\$154,200</u> but not	\$3,459.96 \$4,885.30 plus 4.34% of amount
4	over \$166,500 <u>\$321,700</u>	over \$109,250 \$154,200
5	Over \$166,500 \$321,700 but not	\$5,944.61 \$12,154.80 plus 5.04% of amount
6	over \$297,350 \$699,400	over \$166,500 \$321,700
7	Over \$297,350 <u>\$699,400</u>	\$12,539.45 \$31,190.88 plus 5.54% of amount
8		over \$297,350 \$699,400
9	c. Married filing separatel	
10	If North Dakota taxable income is:	The tax is equal to:
11	Not over \$22,600	2.10%
12	Over \$22,600 <u>\$31,850</u> but not over	\$474.60
13	\$54,625	over \$22,600 <u>\$31,850</u>
14	Over \$54,625	\$1,729.98
15	\$83,250	over \$54,625
16	Over \$83,250 <u>\$160,850</u> but not over	\$2,972.31
17	\$148,675	over \$83,250
18	Over \$148,675	\$6,269.73
19		over \$148,675
20	d. Head of household.	
21	If North Dakota taxable income is:	The tax is equal to:
22	Not over \$36,250 <u>\$42,650</u>	2.10%
23	Over \$36,250 <u>\$42,650</u> but not over	\$761.25
24	\$93,650	over \$36,250
25	Over \$93,650	\$3,011.33
26	\$151,650	over \$93,650
27	Over \$151,650	\$5,528.53
28	over \$297,350	over \$151,650
29	Over \$297,350	\$12,871.81
30		over \$297,350
31	e. Estates and trusts.	

1	If North Dakota taxable income is:			The tax is equal to:
2	Not over \$1,800			2.10%
3	Over \$1,800	<u>\$2,15</u>	<u>)</u> but not over	\$37.80
4	\$4,250	00		over \$1,800
5	Over \$4,250	<u>\$5,00</u>	<u>)</u> but not over	\$133.84
6	\$6,500	<u>50</u>		over \$4,250
7	Over \$6,500	<u>\$7,65</u>	<u>)</u> but not over	\$231.49
8	\$8,900 <u>\$10,</u> 4	50		over \$6,500
9	Over \$8,900	<u>\$10,4</u>	<u>50</u>	\$352.45
10				over \$8,900
11	f.	Fo	r an individual who is	s not a resident of this state for the entire year, or for a
12		no	nresident estate or ti	rust, the tax is equal to the tax otherwise computed
13		un	der this subsection r	nultiplied by a fraction in which:
14		(1)	The numerator is	s the federal adjusted gross income allocable and
15			apportionable to	this state; and
16		(2)	The denominato	r is the federal adjusted gross income from all sources
17			reduced by the n	net income from the amounts specified in subdivisions a
18			and b of subsect	ion 2.
19		In	the case of married i	individuals filing a joint return, if one spouse is a
20		res	ident of this state fo	r the entire year and the other spouse is a nonresident
21		for	part or all of the tax	year, the tax on the joint return must be computed
22		un	der this subdivision.	
23	g.	. Fo	r taxable years begir	nning after December 31, 2001 <u>2007</u> , the tax
24		CO	mmissioner shall pre	escribe new rate schedules that apply in lieu of the
25		scl	nedules set forth in s	subdivisions a through e. The new schedules must be
26		de	termined by increasi	ng the minimum and maximum dollar amounts for each
27		inc	ome bracket for whi	ch a tax is imposed by the cost-of-living adjustment for
28		the	e taxable year as det	ermined by the secretary of the United States treasury
29		for	purposes of section	1(f) of the United States Internal Revenue Code of
30		19	54, as amended. Fo	or this purpose, the rate applicable to each income
31		bra	acket may not be cha	anged, and the manner of applying the cost-of-living

1 2 adjustment must be the same as that used for adjusting the income brackets for federal income tax purposes.

SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION. There is appropriated out of any moneys in the
general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$116,720,911, or so
much of the sum as may be necessary, to the state treasurer for the purpose of providing
state-paid property tax relief credits as provided in section 4 of this Act, for the biennium
beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2009.

8 **SECTION 10. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Act is effective for taxable years beginning 9 after December 31, 2006, for ad valorem property taxes and for taxable years beginning after 10 December 31, 2007, for mobile home taxes. Section 8 of this Act is effective for taxable years 11 beginning after December 31, 2006.