

# HB3671



## 100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2017 and 2018

HB3671

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### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 200/15-179 new  
30 ILCS 805/8.41 new

Amends the Property Tax Code. Creates a first-time homebuyer homestead exemption. Provides that residential property valued at \$75,000 or more that is owned and occupied by a first-time homebuyer is entitled to a reduction in the equalized assessed value of the property in the amount of \$7,500. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning revenue.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Property Tax Code is amended by adding  
5 Section 15-179 as follows:

6 (35 ILCS 200/15-179 new)

7 Sec. 15-179. First-time homebuyer homestead exemption.

8 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law and in  
9 addition to any other exemption, homestead property that is  
10 occupied during the taxable year by a first-time homebuyer who  
11 has an ownership interest in property valued at \$75,000 or more  
12 is entitled to a reduction in the equalized assessed value of  
13 the property in an amount equal to \$7,500 for the first taxable  
14 year in which the first-time homebuyer occupied the residence.

15 (b) The first-time homebuyer must purchase the residence on  
16 or after January 1, 2018 and before January 1, 2020.

17 (c) Application must be made during the application period  
18 in effect for the county of residence. The assessor or chief  
19 county assessment officer may determine the eligibility of  
20 residential property to receive the homestead exemption  
21 provided by this Section by application, visual inspection,  
22 questionnaire, or other reasonable methods. The determination  
23 must be made in accordance with guidelines established by the

1 Department. The Department may by rule provide for the  
2 implementation and administration of this Section.

3 (d) As used in this Section "first-time homebuyer" means an  
4 individual who, prior to January 1 of the taxable year, has not  
5 held an ownership interest in residential property.

6 Section 90. The State Mandates Act is amended by adding  
7 Section 8.38 as follows:

8 (30 ILCS 805/8.41 new)

9 Sec. 8.41. Exempt mandate. Notwithstanding Sections 6 and 8  
10 of this Act, no reimbursement by the State is required for the  
11 implementation of any mandate created by this amendatory Act of  
12 the 100th General Assembly.