



## 96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2009 and 2010

HB5084

Introduced 1/29/2010, by Rep. Ron Stephens - Timothy L. Schmitz - Jim Watson - Patricia R. Bellock

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 200/18-179 new

Amends the Property Tax Code. Requires the county clerk to abate a percentage of the property taxes levied on each parcel of property that is owned and used exclusively as a home by a disabled veteran, or the spouse or unmarried surviving spouse of the veteran. Provides that the percentage of taxes to be abated is equal to the percentage of disability of the veteran. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

HOUSING  
AFFORDABILITY  
IMPACT NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning revenue, which may be referred to as the  
2 "Wounded Warrior Act".

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

5 Section 5. The Property Tax Code is amended by adding  
6 Section 18-179 as follows:

7 (35 ILCS 200/18-179 new)

8 Sec. 18-179. Abatement for the residence of disabled  
9 veterans.

10 (a) The county clerk shall abate a percentage of the taxes  
11 levied on each parcel of property that is owned and used  
12 exclusively by a disabled veteran, or the spouse or unmarried  
13 surviving spouse of the veteran, as a home. The percentage of  
14 taxes to be abated is equal to the percentage of disability of  
15 the veteran, as certified by the United States Department of  
16 Veterans Affairs.

17 (b) As used in this Section:

18 "Disabled veteran" means a veteran who was honorably  
19 discharged with a service-connected disability and for whom  
20 documentation, in any form, from any branch of the United  
21 States Armed Forces has been issued certifying that the veteran  
22 suffers from a disability.

23 "Veteran" means an Illinois resident who has served as a

1 member of the United States Armed Forces on active duty or  
2 State active duty, a member of the Illinois National Guard, or  
3 a member of the United States Reserve Forces.

4 (c) This Section applies to taxes levied in the 2009  
5 taxable year and thereafter.

6 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
7 becoming law.