Chapter 597

S.B. No. 201

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the calculation of ad valorem taxes on the residence
- 3 homestead of a 100 percent or totally disabled veteran for the tax
- 4 year in which the veteran qualifies or ceases to qualify for an
- 5 exemption from taxation of the homestead.
- 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 7 SECTION 1. Section 11.42, Tax Code, is amended by adding
- 8 Subsection (e) to read as follows:
- 9 (e) A person who qualifies for an exemption under Section
- 10 11.131 after January 1 of a tax year may receive the exemption for
- 11 the applicable portion of that tax year immediately on
- 12 qualification for the exemption.
- 13 SECTION 2. Section 26.10, Tax Code, is amended by adding
- 14 Subsection (c) to read as follows:
- 15 (c) If the appraisal roll shows that a residence homestead
- 16 exemption under Section 11.131 applicable to a property on January
- 17 1 of a year terminated during the year, the tax due against the
- 18 residence homestead is calculated by multiplying the amount of the
- 19 taxes that otherwise would be imposed on the residence homestead
- 20 for the entire year had the individual not qualified for the
- 21 exemption under Section 11.131 during the year by a fraction, the
- 22 denominator of which is 365 and the numerator of which is the number
- 23 of days that elapsed after the date the exemption terminated.
- SECTION 3. Chapter 26, Tax Code, is amended by adding

- 1 Section 26.1125 to read as follows:
- 2 Sec. 26.1125. CALCULATION OF TAXES ON RESIDENCE HOMESTEAD
- 3 OF 100 PERCENT OR TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN. (a) If a person
- 4 qualifies for an exemption under Section 11.131 after the beginning
- 5 of a tax year, the amount of the taxes on the residence homestead of
- 6 the person for the tax year is calculated by multiplying the amount
- 7 of the taxes that otherwise would be imposed on the residence
- 8 homestead for the entire year had the person not qualified for the
- 9 exemption under Section 11.131 by a fraction, the denominator of
- 10 which is 365 and the numerator of which is the number of days that
- 11 elapsed before the date the person qualified for the exemption
- 12 under Section 11.131.
- (b) If a person qualifies for an exemption under Section
- 14 11.131 with respect to the property after the amount of the tax due
- 15 on the property is calculated and the effect of the qualification is
- 16 to reduce the amount of the tax due on the property, the assessor
- 17 for each taxing unit shall recalculate the amount of the tax due on
- 18 the property and correct the tax roll. If the tax bill has been
- 19 mailed and the tax on the property has not been paid, the assessor
- 20 shall mail a corrected tax bill to the person in whose name the
- 21 property is listed on the tax roll or to the person's authorized
- 22 agent. If the tax on the property has been paid, the tax collector
- 23 for the taxing unit shall refund to the person who paid the tax the
- 24 amount by which the payment exceeded the tax due.
- 25 SECTION 4. This Act applies only to an ad valorem tax year
- 26 that begins on or after the effective date of this Act.
- 27 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect January 1, 2012.

President of the Senate

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I hereby certify that S.B. No. 201 passed the Senate on April 7, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0; May 9, 2011, Senate refused to concur in House amendments and requested appointment of Conference Committee; May 21, 2011, House granted request of the Senate; May 24, 2011, Senate adopted Conference Committee Report by the following vote: Yeas 31,

Secretary of the Senate

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I hereby certify that S.B. No. 201 passed the House, with amendments, on May 5, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 143, Nays 1, two present not voting; May 21, 2011, House granted request of the Senate for appointment of Conference Committee; May 24, 2011, House adopted Conference Committee Report by the following vote: Yeas 143, Nays 0, two present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Nays 0.__

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<u>Date</u>

RICK PERRY
Governor

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