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## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 607**

Introduced by Kintner, 2; McDonnell, 5. Read first time January 18, 2017 Committee: Revenue

- A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section
   77-3506, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016; to provide a
   homestead exemption for certain first responders as prescribed; and
   to repeal the original section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. Section 77-3506, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
 2016, is amended to read:

3 77-3506 (1) All homesteads in this state shall be assessed for 4 taxation the same as other property, except that there shall be exempt 5 from taxation, on any homestead described in subsection (2) of this 6 section, one hundred percent of the exempt amount.

7 (2) The exemption described in subsection (1) of this section shall8 apply to homesteads of:

9 (a) A veteran who was discharged or otherwise separated with a 10 characterization of honorable or general (under honorable conditions), who is drawing compensation from the United States Department of Veterans 11 Affairs because of one hundred percent service-connected disability, and 12 who is not eligible for total exemption under sections 77-3526 to 13 77-3528, an unremarried surviving spouse of such a veteran, or a 14 surviving spouse of such a veteran who remarries after attaining the age 15 of fifty-seven years; 16

(b) An unremarried surviving spouse of any veteran, including a veteran other than a veteran described in section 80-401.01, who was discharged or otherwise separated with a characterization of honorable or general (under honorable conditions) and who died because of a serviceconnected disability or a surviving spouse of such a veteran who remarries after attaining the age of fifty-seven years;—and

(c) An unremarried surviving spouse of a serviceman or servicewoman,
including a veteran other than a veteran described in section 80-401.01,
whose death while on active duty was service-connected or a surviving
spouse of such a serviceman or servicewoman who remarries after attaining
the age of fifty-seven years; and -

(d) A first responder as defined in section 48-101.01 who is drawing
 compensation from the state or a political subdivision or is receiving
 workers' compensation benefits because of a one hundred percent
 disability received in the line of duty.

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(3) Application for exemption under <u>subdivision (2)(a), (b), or (c)</u>
 <u>of</u> this section shall include certification of the status set forth in
 <u>the applicable subdivision</u> <del>subsection (2) of this section</del> from the United
 States Department of Veterans Affairs.

5 Sec. 2. Original section 77-3506, Revised Statutes Cumulative6 Supplement, 2016, is repealed.