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LEGISLATIVE BILL 930

Introduced by Briese, 41. Read first time January 10, 2020 Committee: Revenue

- A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section
 77-4212, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to require a minimum
 amount of tax relief under the Property Tax Credit Act; and to
 repeal the original section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. Section 77-4212, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
 amended to read:

77-4212 (1) For tax year 2007, the amount of relief granted under 3 the Property Tax Credit Act shall be one hundred five million dollars. 4 5 For tax year 2008, the amount of relief granted under the act shall be one hundred fifteen million dollars. It is the intent of the Legislature 6 7 to fund the Property Tax Credit Act for tax years after tax year 2008 using available revenue. For tax year 2017, the amount of relief granted 8 9 under the act shall be two hundred twenty-four million dollars. For tax year 2020 and each tax year thereafter, the minimum amount of relief 10 granted under the act shall be two hundred seventy-five million dollars. 11 If money is transferred or credited to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund 12 pursuant to any other state law, such amount shall be added to the 13 14 minimum amount required under this subsection when determining the total amount of relief granted under the act. The relief shall be in the form 15 of a property tax credit which appears on the property tax statement. 16

17 (2)(a) For tax years prior to tax year 2017, to determine the amount 18 of the property tax credit, the county treasurer shall multiply the 19 amount disbursed to the county under subdivision (4)(a) of this section 20 by the ratio of the real property valuation of the parcel to the total 21 real property valuation in the county. The amount determined shall be the 22 property tax credit for the property.

(b) Beginning with tax year 2017, to determine the amount of the property tax credit, the county treasurer shall multiply the amount disbursed to the county under subdivision (4)(b) of this section by the ratio of the credit allocation valuation of the parcel to the total credit allocation valuation in the county. The amount determined shall be the property tax credit for the property.

(3) If the real property owner qualifies for a homestead exemption
under sections 77-3501 to 77-3529, the owner shall also be qualified for
the relief provided in the act to the extent of any remaining liability

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after calculation of the relief provided by the homestead exemption. If 1 2 the credit results in a property tax liability on the homestead that is less than zero, the amount of the credit which cannot be used by the 3 taxpayer shall be returned to the State Treasurer by July 1 of the year 4 5 the amount disbursed to the county was disbursed. The State Treasurer shall immediately credit any funds returned under this subsection to the 6 Property Tax Credit Cash Fund. Upon the return of any funds under this 7 subsection, the county treasurer shall electronically file a report with 8 the Property Tax Administrator, on a form prescribed by the Tax 9 Commissioner, indicating the amount of funds distributed to each taxing 10 unit in the county in the year the funds were returned, any collection 11 fee retained by the county in such year, and the amount of unused credits 12 returned. 13

(4)(a) For tax years prior to tax year 2017, the amount disbursed to 14 each county shall be equal to the amount available for disbursement 15 16 determined under subsection (1) of this section multiplied by the ratio of the real property valuation in the county to the real property 17 valuation in the state. By September 15, the Property Tax Administrator 18 shall determine the amount to be disbursed under this subdivision to each 19 county and certify such amounts to the State Treasurer and to each 20 county. The disbursements to the counties shall occur in two equal 21 payments, the first on or before January 31 and the second on or before 22 April 1. After retaining one percent of the receipts for costs, the 23 24 county treasurer shall allocate the remaining receipts to each taxing 25 unit levying taxes on taxable property in the tax district in which the real property is located in the same proportion that the levy of such 26 taxing unit bears to the total levy on taxable property of all the taxing 27 28 units in the tax district in which the real property is located.

(b) Beginning with tax year 2017, the amount disbursed to each
county shall be equal to the amount available for disbursement determined
under subsection (1) of this section multiplied by the ratio of the

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credit allocation valuation in the county to the credit allocation 1 2 valuation in the state. By September 15, the Property Tax Administrator shall determine the amount to be disbursed under this subdivision to each 3 county and certify such amounts to the State Treasurer and to each 4 county. The disbursements to the counties shall occur in two equal 5 payments, the first on or before January 31 and the second on or before 6 April 1. After retaining one percent of the receipts for costs, the 7 county treasurer shall allocate the remaining receipts to each taxing 8 9 unit based on its share of the credits granted to all taxpayers in the taxing unit. 10

11 (5) For purposes of this section, credit allocation valuation means 12 the taxable value for all real property except agricultural land and 13 horticultural land, one hundred twenty percent of taxable value for 14 agricultural land and horticultural land that is not subject to special 15 valuation, and one hundred twenty percent of taxable value for 16 agricultural land and horticultural land that is subject to special 17 valuation.

(6) The State Treasurer shall transfer from the General Fund to the
Property Tax Credit Cash Fund one hundred five million dollars by August
1, 2007, and one hundred fifteen million dollars by August 1, 2008.

(7) The Legislature shall have the power to transfer funds from the
Property Tax Credit Cash Fund to the General Fund.

Sec. 2. Original section 77-4212, Reissue Revised Statutes of
Nebraska, is repealed.

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