

House Bill 1562

By: Representative Camp of the 135th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act providing a homestead exemption from all Pike County ad valorem taxes
2 for county purposes for certain residents of that county who are totally disabled, approved
3 May 13, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 5732), so as to increase the amount of the homestead
4 exemption for residents of Pike County who are totally disabled; to provide for increased
5 amounts of homestead exemptions for certain residents who have resided in the county for
6 a certain amount of time; to provide for a referendum; to provide for an effective date and
7 applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other
8 purposes.

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

10 **SECTION 1.**

11 An Act providing a homestead exemption from all Pike County ad valorem taxes for county
12 purposes for certain residents of that county who are totally disabled, approved May 13, 2002
13 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 5732), is amended by revising subsection (b) of Section 1 as follows:

14 "(b)(1) Each resident of Pike County who is totally disabled is granted an exemption on
15 that person's homestead from all Pike County ad valorem taxes for county purposes as
16 follows:

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- 17 (A) For all residents of Pike County who are totally disabled, in the amount of
18 \$15,000.00 of the assessed value of that homestead;
- 19 (B) For residents of Pike County who are totally disabled who have resided in the
20 county for five to nine years, \$17,500.00 of the assessed value of that homestead;
- 21 (C) For residents of Pike County who are totally disabled who have resided in the
22 county for ten to 19 years, \$22,500.00 of the assessed value of that homestead; and
- 23 (D) For residents of Pike County who are totally disabled who have resided in the
24 county for 20 years or more, \$30,000.00 of the assessed value of that homestead.
- 25 (2) For the purpose of this section, the amount of time residing in the county is the total
26 amount of time a totally disabled person has lived in the county and need not be
27 consecutive."

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SECTION 2.

29 In accordance with the requirements of Article VII, Section II of the Constitution of the State
30 of Georgia, this Act shall not become law unless it receives the requisite two-thirds' majority
31 vote in both the Senate and the House of Representatives.

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SECTION 3.

33 The election superintendent of Pike County shall call and conduct an election as provided in
34 this section for the purpose of submitting this Act to the electors of Pike County for approval
35 or rejection. The election superintendent shall conduct the election on the Tuesday following
36 the first Monday in November, 2026, and shall issue the call and conduct that election as
37 provided by general law. The election superintendent shall cause the date and purpose of the
38 election to be published once a week for two weeks immediately preceding the date thereof
39 in the official organ of Pike County. The ballot shall have written or printed thereon the
40 words:

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SECTION 5.

68 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.