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H.B. No. 1392

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the maximum amount of the local option residence
3 homestead exemption from ad valorem taxation by a taxing unit all or
4 part of which is located in certain counties.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Section 11.13(n), Tax Code, is amended to read as
7 follows:

8 (n) In addition to any other exemptions provided by this
9 section, an individual is entitled to an exemption from taxation by
10 a taxing unit of a percentage of the appraised value of the
11 individual's [~~his~~] residence homestead if the exemption is adopted
12 by the governing body of the taxing unit before July 1 in the manner
13 provided by law for official action by the body. If the percentage
14 set by the taxing unit produces an exemption in a tax year of less
15 than \$5,000 when applied to a particular residence homestead, the
16 individual is entitled to an exemption of \$5,000 of the appraised
17 value. The percentage adopted by the taxing unit may not exceed 20
18 percent or, if all or part of the taxing unit is located in Chambers
19 or Galveston County, 100 percent.

20 SECTION 2. This Act applies only to ad valorem taxes imposed
21 for a tax year that begins on or after the effective date of this
22 Act.

23 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect January 1, 2022, but only
24 if the constitutional amendment proposed by the 87th Legislature,

1 Regular Session, 2021, to increase the maximum amount of the local
2 option residence homestead exemption from ad valorem taxation by a
3 political subdivision all or part of which is located in certain
4 counties is approved by the voters. If that amendment is not
5 approved by the voters, this Act has no effect.