

AN ACT

relating to a refund of an overpayment or erroneous payment of ad valorem taxes.

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

SECTION 1. Section 31.11, Tax Code, is amended by amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsections (c-1) and (h) to read as follows:

(c) Except as provided by Subsection (c-1), an ~~[An]~~ application for a refund must be made within three years after the date of the payment or the taxpayer waives the right to the refund.

A taxpayer may apply for a refund by filing:

(1) an application on a form prescribed by the comptroller by rule; or

(2) a written request that includes information sufficient to enable the auditor for the taxing unit and, if applicable, the governing body of the taxing unit to determine whether the taxpayer is entitled to the refund.

(c-1) The governing body of the taxing unit may extend the deadline provided by Subsection (c) for a single period not to exceed two years on a showing of good cause by the taxpayer.

(h) This section does not apply to an overpayment caused by a change of exemption status or correction of a tax roll. Such an overpayment is covered by Section 26.15 or 42.43, as applicable.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives

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1 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
3 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
4 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1210 was passed by the House on March 28, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 145, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1210 on May 16, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 145, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1210 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 14, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor