

Amend SB 15 (senate committee printing) in SECTION 1 of the bill as follows:

(1) In added Section 11.134, Tax Code, strike Subsection (b) of the section (page 1, lines 40-47) and substitute the following:

(b) The surviving spouse of a first responder who is killed or fatally injured in the line of duty is entitled to an exemption from taxation of the total appraised value of the surviving spouse's residence homestead if the surviving spouse:

(1) is an eligible survivor for purposes of Chapter 615, Government Code, as determined by the Employees Retirement System of Texas under that chapter; and

(2) has not remarried since the death of the first responder.

(c) The exemption provided by this section applies regardless of the date of the first responder's death if the surviving spouse otherwise meets the qualifications of this section.

(2) In added Section 11.134(c), Tax Code (page 1, line 48), strike "(c)" and substitute "(d)".