

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. _____

Offered by _____ of _____

Amend SS/Senate Bill No. 33, Page 1, Section A, Line 4,

2 by inserting after all of said line the following:

3 "Section 4(b). 1. Property in classes 1 and 2 and
4 subclasses of those classes, shall be assessed for tax
5 purposes at its value or such percentage of its value as may
6 be fixed by law for each class and for each subclass.

7 Property in class 3 and its subclasses shall be taxed only
8 to the extent authorized and at the rate fixed by law for
9 each class and subclass, and the tax shall be based on the
10 annual yield and shall not exceed eight percent thereof.

11 Property in class 1 shall be subclassed in the following
12 classifications:

13 (1) Residential property;

14 (2) Agricultural and horticultural property;

15 (3) Utility, industrial, commercial, railroad, and all
16 other property not included in subclasses (1) and (2) of
17 class 1.

18 Property in the subclasses of class 1 may be defined by law,
19 however subclasses (1), (2), and (3) shall not be further
20 divided, provided, land in subclass (2) may by general law
21 be assessed for tax purposes on its productive capability.

22 The same percentage of value shall be applied to all
23 properties within any subclass. No classes or subclass
24 shall have a percentage of its true value in money in excess
25 of thirty-three and one-third percent.

26 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 1 of
27 this section and section 3 of this article to the contrary,
28 the amount by which the assessed value of class 1 property
29 may increase over the assessed value of such property from
30 the previous assessment may be limited by law."; and

31 Further amend said joint resolution, page 1, section
32 4(d), line 13, by inserting after all of said line the
33 following:

34 "Section 6. 1. All property, real and personal, of
35 the state, counties and other political subdivisions, and
36 nonprofit cemeteries, [and] all real property used as a
37 homestead as defined by law of any citizen of this state who
38 is a former prisoner of war, as defined by law, and [who has
39 a total service-connected disability,] all real property
40 used as a homestead as defined by law of any disabled
41 veteran shall be exempt from taxation; all personal property
42 held as industrial inventories, including raw materials,
43 work in progress and finished work on hand, by manufacturers
44 and refiners, and all personal property held as goods,
45 wares, merchandise, stock in trade or inventory for resale
46 by distributors, wholesalers, or retail merchants or
47 establishments shall be exempt from taxation; and all
48 property, real and personal, not held for private or
49 corporate profit and used exclusively for religious worship,
50 for schools and colleges, for purposes purely charitable,
51 for agricultural and horticultural societies, or for
52 veterans' organizations may be exempted from taxation by
53 general law. In addition to the above, household goods,
54 furniture, wearing apparel and articles of personal use and
55 adornment owned and used by a person in his home or dwelling
56 place may be exempt from taxation by general law but any
57 such law may provide for approximate restitution to the
58 respective political subdivisions of revenues lost by reason

59 of the exemption. All laws exempting from taxation property
60 other than the property enumerated in this article, shall be
61 void. The provisions of this section exempting certain
62 personal property of manufacturers, refiners, distributors,
63 wholesalers, and retail merchants and establishments from
64 taxation shall become effective, unless otherwise provided
65 by law, in each county on January 1 of the year in which
66 that county completes its first general reassessment as
67 defined by law.

68 2. All revenues lost because of the exemption of
69 certain personal property of manufacturers, refiners,
70 distributors, wholesalers, and retail merchants and
71 establishments shall be replaced to each taxing authority
72 within a county from a countywide tax hereby imposed on all
73 property in subclass 3 of class 1 in each county. For the
74 year in which the exemption becomes effective, the county
75 clerk shall calculate the total revenue lost by all taxing
76 authorities in the county and extend upon all property in
77 subclass 3 of class 1 within the county, a tax at the rate
78 necessary to produce that amount. The rate of tax levied in
79 each county according to this subsection shall not be
80 increased above the rate first imposed and will stand levied
81 at that rate unless later reduced according to the
82 provisions of subsection 3. The county collector shall
83 disburse the proceeds according to the revenue lost by each
84 taxing authority because of the exemption of such property
85 in that county. Restitution of the revenues lost by any
86 taxing district contained in more than one county shall be
87 from the several counties according to the revenue lost
88 because of the exemption of property in each county. Each
89 year after the first year the replacement tax is imposed,
90 the amount distributed to each taxing authority in a county
91 shall be increased or decreased by an amount equal to the

92 amount resulting from the change in that district's total
93 assessed value of property in subclass 3 of class 1 at the
94 countywide replacement tax rate. In order to implement the
95 provisions of this subsection, the limits set in section
96 11(b) of this article may be exceeded, without voter
97 approval, if necessary to allow each county listed in
98 section 11(b) to comply with this subsection.

99 3. Any increase in the tax rate imposed pursuant to
100 subsection 2 of this section shall be decreased if such
101 decrease is approved by a majority of the voters of the
102 county voting on such decrease. A decrease in the increased
103 tax rate imposed under subsection 2 of this section may be
104 submitted to the voters of a county by the governing body
105 thereof upon its own order, ordinance, or resolution and
106 shall be submitted upon the petition of at least eight
107 percent of the qualified voters who voted in the immediately
108 preceding gubernatorial election.

109 4. (1) As used in this section, the terms "revenues
110 lost" and "lost revenues" shall mean that revenue which each
111 taxing authority received from the imposition of a tangible
112 personal property tax on all personal property held as
113 industrial inventories, including raw materials, work in
114 progress and finished work on hand, by manufacturers and
115 refiners, and all personal property held as goods, wares,
116 merchandise, stock in trade or inventory for resale by
117 distributors, wholesalers, or retail merchants or
118 establishments in the last full tax year immediately
119 preceding the effective date of the exemption from taxation
120 granted for such property under subsection 1 of this
121 section, and which was no longer received after such
122 exemption became effective.

123 (2) As used in this section, the term "disabled
124 veteran" shall mean an individual who:

- 125 (a) Is a resident of this state;
126 (b) Has been separated under honorable conditions from
127 active service in:
128 a. Any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States;
129 b. Any reserve component of the Armed Forces of the
130 United States;
131 c. The National Guard of this state as defined in 32
132 U.S.C. Section 101, as amended; or
133 d. Any defense force of this state as described in 32
134 U.S.C. Section 109, as amended; and
135 (c) Has been certified by the United States Department
136 of Veterans Affairs or its successor agency to be in receipt
137 of disability compensation at the one hundred percent rate
138 as a result of a service-connected disability claim allowed
139 by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, with
140 such disability being permanent and sustained through
141 military action or accident or resulting from disease
142 contracted while in such active service."; and
143 Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.