

ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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Presented by Mr. Soulas of Bangor.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-NINE

AN ACT Exempting Severely Handicapped Persons from Certain Real Estate Taxes.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 36, § 654, sub-§ 1, ¶ E, amended. Paragraph E of subsection 1 of Section 654 of Title 36 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

E. The estates up to the value of 3,500 **10,000** of all persons determined to be blind within the definition provided by Title 22, chapters 951 to 959, who are receiving aid under those chapters.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 36, § 654, sub-§ 1, \P G, additional. Subsection 1 of section 654 of Title 36 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new paragraph G, to read as follows:

G. The estates up to the value of 10,000 of all persons determined to be severely handicapped by loss of 2 arms or the use of both arms, an arm and leg or use of same or have lost both legs or the use of both legs. The persons applying for such exemption must offer proof of said disability by statements of 2 physicians testifying to the severity of the handicap. The exemption provided in this paragraph shall apply to the property of such handicapped person, including property held in joint tenancy with his or her spouse. Such person or persons shall have resided in the State of Maine for a period of at least 2 years, prior to application for tax exemption.

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