CONCURRENCE IN SENATE AMENDMENTS AB 1361 (Hoover) As Amended August 21, 2023 Majority vote

## **SUMMARY**

Permits a county assessor to provide a written or electronic determination of preliminary eligibility for the disable veterans' property tax exemption.

#### **Senate Amendments**

Add findings and declarations stating the Legislature's intent to support disabled veteran homebuyers and chaptering amendments to avoid a conflict with SB 82 (Seyarto) of the current session, currently on the Assembly Third Reading File.

## **COMMENTS**

The disabled veterans' property tax exemption: The disabled veterans' exemption is authorized in the California Constitution. The Constitution, however, does not stipulate the specific amounts that may be exempt, nor does the Constitution prescribe any income or asset limitations. Rather, the Constitution only specifies the types of disabilities from which a veteran must suffer in order to qualify for the exemption. When implementing this authorization, the Legislature tied the exempt amounts and the income threshold to inflation. Today, these amounts equal \$161,083 for the basic exemption; \$241,627 for the low-income exemption; and \$72,335 for the low-income threshold. While the standard disabled veterans' exemption does not need an annual reapplication, disabled veterans must annually refile for the low-income exemption as annual certification of income is required.

## According to the Author

Our disabled veterans have not only fought for and served our country, but have made a huge sacrifice as well. That's why this Legislature has made policies that promote their success and ensure that they receive the benefits that they deserve. This bill just streamlines the home buying process by allowing disabled veterans to preliminarily apply for their real estate tax exemption.

## **Arguments in Support**

The California Assessors' Association, writing in support of this bill, states, "Under AB 1361, County Assessors will be able to support veterans with information prior to the acquisition of property by implementing an administratively feasible solution that meets the original goal of assisting disabled veterans with the exemption."

# **Arguments in Opposition**

None on file

#### FISCAL COMMENTS

None

## **VOTES:**

**ASM REVENUE AND TAXATION: 11-0-0** 

YES: Irwin, Wallis, Bains, Grayson, Pacheco, Jim Patterson, Petrie-Norris, Luz Rivas, Ta, Valencia, Zbur

## **ASM APPROPRIATIONS: 15-0-1**

**YES:** Holden, Megan Dahle, Bryan, Calderon, Wendy Carrillo, Dixon, Mike Fong, Hart, Lowenthal, Mathis, Papan, Pellerin, Sanchez, Weber, Ortega

ABS, ABST OR NV: Robert Rivas

#### ASSEMBLY FLOOR: 80-0-0

YES: Addis, Aguiar-Curry, Alanis, Alvarez, Arambula, Bains, Bauer-Kahan, Bennett, Berman, Boerner, Bonta, Bryan, Calderon, Juan Carrillo, Wendy Carrillo, Cervantes, Chen, Connolly, Megan Dahle, Davies, Dixon, Essayli, Flora, Mike Fong, Vince Fong, Friedman, Gabriel, Gallagher, Garcia, Gipson, Grayson, Haney, Hart, Holden, Hoover, Irwin, Jackson, Jones-Sawyer, Kalra, Lackey, Lee, Low, Lowenthal, Maienschein, Mathis, McCarty, McKinnor, Muratsuchi, Stephanie Nguyen, Ortega, Pacheco, Papan, Jim Patterson, Joe Patterson, Pellerin, Petrie-Norris, Quirk-Silva, Ramos, Reyes, Luz Rivas, Robert Rivas, Rodriguez, Blanca Rubio, Sanchez, Santiago, Schiavo, Soria, Ta, Ting, Valencia, Villapudua, Waldron, Wallis, Ward, Weber, Wicks, Wilson, Wood, Zbur, Rendon

## **SENATE FLOOR: 40-0-0**

**YES:** Allen, Alvarado-Gil, Archuleta, Ashby, Atkins, Becker, Blakespear, Bradford, Caballero, Cortese, Dahle, Dodd, Durazo, Eggman, Glazer, Gonzalez, Grove, Hurtado, Jones, Laird, Limón, McGuire, Menjivar, Min, Newman, Nguyen, Niello, Ochoa Bogh, Padilla, Portantino, Roth, Rubio, Seyarto, Skinner, Smallwood-Cuevas, Stern, Umberg, Wahab, Wiener, Wilk

## **SENATE FLOOR: 38-0-2**

YES: Allen, Alvarado-Gil, Archuleta, Atkins, Becker, Blakespear, Caballero, Cortese, Dahle, Dodd, Durazo, Eggman, Glazer, Gonzalez, Grove, Hurtado, Jones, Laird, Limón, McGuire, Menjivar, Min, Newman, Nguyen, Niello, Ochoa Bogh, Padilla, Portantino, Roth, Rubio, Seyarto, Skinner, Smallwood-Cuevas, Stern, Umberg, Wahab, Wiener, Wilk ABS, ABST OR NV: Ashby, Bradford

## **SENATE FLOOR: 37-0-3**

YES: Allen, Alvarado-Gil, Archuleta, Atkins, Becker, Blakespear, Bradford, Caballero, Cortese, Dahle, Dodd, Durazo, Eggman, Gonzalez, Grove, Hurtado, Laird, Limón, McGuire, Menjivar, Min, Newman, Nguyen, Niello, Ochoa Bogh, Padilla, Portantino, Roth, Rubio, Seyarto, Skinner, Smallwood-Cuevas, Stern, Umberg, Wahab, Wiener, Wilk

ABS, ABST OR NV: Ashby, Glazer, Jones

## **UPDATED**

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