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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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**HOUSE BILL**  
**No. 1569** Session of  
1983

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MAYERNIK, OCTOBER 11, 1983

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SENATOR PECORA, MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS, IN SENATE,  
AS AMENDED, MARCH 28, 1984

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A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth  
2 of Pennsylvania, authorizing a tax exemption to surviving  
3 spouses of certain veterans.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
5 hereby resolves as follows:

6 Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of  
7 Pennsylvania is proposed in accordance with Article XI:

8 That section 2(c) of Article VIII be amended to read:

9 § 2. Exemptions and special provisions.

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11 (c) Citizens and residents of this Commonwealth, who served  
12 in any war or armed conflict in which the United States was  
13 engaged and were honorably discharged or released under  
14 honorable circumstances from active service, shall be exempt  
15 from the payment of all real property taxes upon the residence

1 occupied by the said citizens and residents of this Commonwealth  
2 imposed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any of its  
3 political subdivisions if, as a result of military service, they  
4 are blind, paraplegic or double or quadruple amputees or have a  
5 service-connected disability declared by the United States  
6 Veterans' Administration or its successor to be a total or 100%  
7 permanent disability, and if the State Veterans' Commission  
8 determines that such persons are in need of the tax exemptions  
9 granted herein. This exemption shall be extended to the  
10 UNMARRIED surviving spouse upon the death of an eligible <—  
11 veteran; PROVIDED THAT THE STATE VETERANS' COMMISSION DETERMINES <—  
12 THAT SUCH PERSON IS IN NEED OF THE EXEMPTION.