

HJR 71 -- PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR CERTAIN MILITARY PERSONNEL

SPONSOR: Elmer

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass" by the Committee on Tax Reform by a vote of 10 to 2.

Upon voter approval, this proposed constitutional amendment authorizes an exemption from property tax for an active-duty, military person's personal property that is not in use while he or she is stationed outside the country.

FISCAL NOTE: Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund of an income of \$0 or a cost of More than \$7,000,000 in FY 2013, and income of \$0 in FY 2014, and an income of \$0 in FY 2015. Estimated Net Effect on Other State Funds of an income of \$0 or a cost of More than \$100,000 in FY 2013, FY 2014, and FY 2015.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that the bill honors our military. It exempts personal property owned by military personnel stationed outside of the United States from property tax when the soldier's property is not being used. A soldier's car will qualify as long as there is no use of the vehicle. If a family member or friend drives the car, it will not qualify.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Elmer.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.