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State Representative Mike Jones Introduces Bill Aiming to Lower Property Taxes for Disabled Veterans

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. – State Representative Mike Jones introduced House Bill 921 to the House, which could lower or eliminate property taxes for disabled veterans. The bill, also known as the "Disabled Veteran Property Tax Relief Act, proposes reducing qualifying veterans' property tax obligation on primary residential homes proportional to their percentage of disability awarded by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), up to 100 percent.

If approved, disabled veterans in Missouri would need to verify their eligibility for the tax exemption by submitting proof of their disability rating and property ownership no later than April 1 each year for review by local collection agencies. The measure also includes a provision allowing the benefit to be extended to the surviving spouse of a qualified veteran.

"Missouri's disabled veterans have paid the price of freedom through their bravery and sacrifice," Jones, R-Kansas City, said. "This legislation includes a bill and a House Joint Resolution aimed at providing critical tax relief to these heroes. It's not just about financial assistance; it's about recognizing their invaluable contributions and ensuring they can live with dignity and security. I'm committed to standing by those who've sacrificed for our country."

Representative Mike Jones, a Republican, represents Platte County (District 12) in the Missouri House of Representatives and serves on the Veterans and Armed Forces House committee. He was elected to his first two-year term in November 2022. For more information, please contact Rep. Jones at 573-751-9760 or by email at <u>Mike.Jones@house.mo.gov</u>.

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