

SB 979 -- INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR SURVIVING SPOUSES OF PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS

SPONSOR: Vogel (Dusenberg)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass by consent" by the Committee on Ways and Means by a vote of 5 to 0.

This bill clarifies that the surviving spouse of a public safety officer can claim an income tax credit for the real property taxes paid for each year he or she remains unmarried beginning with the year the spouse dies.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2009, FY 2010, and FY 2011.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that the bill changes the current credit to clarify that the spouse loses the credit if he or she remarries.

Testifying for the bill were Senator Vogel; and Department of Revenue.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.