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DIGEST

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Adley (SB 96)

Present constitution provides an additional seven thousand five hundred dollars in homestead exemption to veterans with a service-connected disability rating of one hundred percent by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs.

Present constitution provides the same exemption to surviving spouses of deceased veterans with a rating of one hundred percent disability.

Proposed constitutional amendment, to become effective January 1, 2015, maintains current constitutional amendment of service-connected disability rating by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs of "one hundred percent" and adds the rating of "totally disabled or unemployable" to the ratings to be eligible for the exemption.

Present constitution requires a parishwide election in order to implement the exemption as provided by present constitution.

Proposed constitution provides that a parishwide election to implement the proposed constitution is not required for those parishes which have already approved the provisions of present constitution.

Specifies submission of the amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held on November 4, 2014.

(Amends Const. Art. VII, Sec. 21(K)(1) and (3))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to the reengrossed bill.

1. Added provision authorizing parishes to implement proposed constitution without a parishwide election.
2. Added technical changes to the ballot language.