## LEGISLATIVE BILL 776

Approved by the Governor March 09, 2016

Introduced by Gloor, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections 77-2704.24 and 77-2791, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, sections 77-2712.03, 77-2793, and 77-3508, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 77-2712.03, 77-2793, and 77-3508, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, and section 77-2716, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2015; to change provisions relating to a sales tax exemption for food, the streamlined sales and use tax agreement, income tax adjustments, income tax overpayments, claims for credit or refund, and homestead exemptions; to provide operative dates; and to repeal the original sections.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. Section 77-2704.24, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

77-2704.24 (1) Sales and use taxes shall not be imposed on the gross receipts from the sale, lease, or rental of and the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of food or food ingredients except for prepared food and food sold through vending machines.

(2) For purposes of this section:

(a) Alcoholic beverages means beverages that are suitable for human consumption and contain one-half of one percent or more of alcohol by volume;

- consumption and contain one-half of one percent or more of alcohol by volume; (b) Dietary supplement means any product, other than tobacco, intended to supplement the diet that contains one or more of the following dietary ingredients: (i) A vitamin, (ii) a mineral, (iii) an herb or other botanical, (iv) an amino acid, (v) a dietary substance for use by humans to supplement the diet by increasing the total dietary intake, or (vi) a concentrate, metabolite, constituent, extract, or combination of any ingredients described in subdivisions (2)(b)(i) through (v) of this section; that is intended for ingestion in tablet, capsule, powder, softgel, gelcap, or liquid form or, if not intended for ingestion in such a form, is not presented as conventional food and is not represented for use as a sole item of a meal or of the diet; and that is required to be labeled as a dietary supplement, identifiable by the supplemental facts box found on the label and as required pursuant to 21 C.F.R. 101.36, as such regulation existed on January 1, 2003;
- 101.36, as such regulation existed on January 1, 2003;

  (c) Food and food ingredients means substances, whether in liquid, concentrated, solid, frozen, dried, or dehydrated form, that are sold for ingestion or chewing by humans and are consumed for their taste or nutritional value. Food and food ingredients does not include alcoholic beverages, dietary supplements, or tobacco;
- (d) Food sold through vending machines means food that is dispensed from a machine or other mechanical device that accepts payment;

(e) Prepared food means:

- (i) Food sold with eating utensils provided by the seller, including plates, knives, forks, spoons, glasses, cups, napkins, or straws. A plate does not include a container or packaging used to transport the food; or and (ii) Two or more food ingredients mixed or combined by the seller for sale
- as a single item and food sold in a heated state or heated by the seller, except:

- (A) Food that is only cut, repackaged, or pasteurized by the seller;
  (B) Eggs, fish, meat, poultry, and foods containing these raw animal foods requiring cooking by the consumer as recommended by the federal Food and Drug Administration in chapter 3, part food 11 of its Food Code, as it existed on
- January 1, 2003, so as to prevent food borne illnesses;

  (C) Food sold by a seller whose proper primary North American Industry Classification System classification is manufacturing in sector 311, except subsector 3118, bakeries;
- (D) Food sold in an unheated state by weight or volume as a single item;
- Bakery items, including bread, rolls, buns, biscuits, bagels, croissants, pastries, donuts, danish, cakes, tortes, pies, tarts, muffins, bars, cookies, and tortillas; and
- (F) Food that ordinarily requires additional cooking to finish the product to its desired final condition; and
- (f) Tobacco means cigarettes, cigars, chewing or pipe tobacco, or any other item that contains tobacco.
- Sec. 2. Section 77-2712.03, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, is amended to read:

77-2712.03 (1) The streamlined sales and use tax agreement, as adopted by the streamlined sales tax implementing states on November 12, 2002, including amendments through December 31, 2015 2010, is hereby ratified by the Legislature. The Governor shall enter into the agreement with one or more states to simplify and modernize sales and use tax administration in order to substantially reduce the burden of tax compliance for all sellers and for all types of commerce. In furtherance of the agreement, the Department of Revenue is authorized to act jointly with other states that are members under Articles VII or VIII of the agreement to establish standards for certification of a certified service provider and certified automated system and establish performance standards for multistate sellers. The department is further authorized to take other actions permissible under law reasonably required to implement the provisions set forth in the agreement. Other actions authorized by this section include, but are not limited to, the adoption and promulgation of rules and regulations and the joint procurement, with other member states, of goods and services in furtherance of the agreement.

- of goods and services in furtherance of the agreement.

  (2) The Tax Commissioner or his or her designee and two representatives of the Legislature appointed by the Executive Board of the Legislative Council are authorized to represent Nebraska before the other member states under the agreement. The state also agrees to participate in and comply with the procedures of and decisions made by the governing board of the member states. These provisions of the agreement include the creation of the organization as provided in Article VII of the agreement, the requirements for state entry and withdrawal as provided in Article VIII of the agreement, amendments to the agreement as provided in Article IX of the agreement, and a dispute resolution process as provided in Article X of the agreement.
- Sec. 3. Section 77-2716, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2015, is amended to read:
- 77-2716 (1) The following adjustments to federal adjusted gross income or, for corporations and fiduciaries, federal taxable income shall be made for interest or dividends received:
- (a)(i) (a) There shall be subtracted interest or dividends received by the owner of obligations of the United States and its territories and possessions or of any authority, commission, or instrumentality of the United States to the extent includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes but exempt from state income taxes under the laws of the United States; and

  (ii) There shall be subtracted interest received by the owner of obligations of the State of Nebraska or its political subdivisions or
- (ii) There shall be subtracted interest received by the owner of obligations of the State of Nebraska or its political subdivisions or authorities which are Build America Bonds to the extent includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes;
- income for federal income tax purposes;

  (b) There shall be subtracted that portion of the total dividends and other income received from a regulated investment company which is attributable to obligations described in subdivision (a) of this subsection as reported to the recipient by the regulated investment company;
- (c) There shall be added interest or dividends received by the owner of obligations of the District of Columbia, other states of the United States, or their political subdivisions, authorities, commissions, or instrumentalities to the extent excluded in the computation of gross income for federal income tax purposes except that such interest or dividends shall not be added if received by a corporation which is a regulated investment company;
- (d) There shall be added that portion of the total dividends and other income received from a regulated investment company which is attributable to obligations described in subdivision (c) of this subsection and excluded for federal income tax purposes as reported to the recipient by the regulated investment company; and
- (e)(i) Any amount subtracted under this subsection shall be reduced by any interest on indebtedness incurred to carry the obligations or securities described in this subsection or the investment in the regulated investment company and by any expenses incurred in the production of interest or dividend income described in this subsection to the extent that such expenses, including amortizable bond premiums, are deductible in determining federal taxable income.
- (ii) Any amount added under this subsection shall be reduced by any expenses incurred in the production of such income to the extent disallowed in the computation of federal taxable income.
- (2) There shall be allowed a net operating loss derived from or connected with Nebraska sources computed under rules and regulations adopted and promulgated by the Tax Commissioner consistent, to the extent possible under the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967, with the laws of the United States. For a resident individual, estate, or trust, the net operating loss computed on the federal income tax return shall be adjusted by the modifications contained in this section. For a nonresident individual, estate, or trust or for a partial-year resident individual, the net operating loss computed on the federal return shall be adjusted by the modifications contained in this section and any carryovers or carrybacks shall be limited to the portion of the loss derived from or connected with Nebraska sources.
- (3) There shall be subtracted from federal adjusted gross income for all taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1987, the amount of any state income tax refund to the extent such refund was deducted under the Internal Revenue Code, was not allowed in the computation of the tax due under the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967, and is included in federal adjusted gross income.

  (4) Federal adjusted gross income, or, for a fiduciary, federal taxable income shall be modified to exclude the portion of the income or loss received
- (4) Federal adjusted gross income, or, for a fiduciary, federal taxable income shall be modified to exclude the portion of the income or loss received from a small business corporation with an election in effect under subchapter S of the Internal Revenue Code or from a limited liability company organized pursuant to the Nebraska Uniform Limited Liability Company Act that is not derived from or connected with Nebraska sources as determined in section 77-2734.01.
- (5) There shall be subtracted from federal adjusted gross income or, for corporations and fiduciaries, federal taxable income dividends received or deemed to be received from corporations which are not subject to the Internal

Revenue Code.

(6) There shall be subtracted from federal taxable income a portion of the income earned by a corporation subject to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 that is actually taxed by a foreign country or one of its political subdivisions at a rate in excess of the maximum federal tax rate for corporations. The taxpayer may make the computation for each foreign country or for groups of foreign countries. The portion of the taxes that may be deducted

shall be computed in the following manner:
(a) The amount of federal taxable income from operations within a foreign taxing jurisdiction shall be reduced by the amount of taxes actually paid to the foreign jurisdiction that are not deductible solely because the foreign tax credit was elected on the federal income tax return;

(b) The amount of after-tax income shall be divided by one minus the

- maximum tax rate for corporations in the Internal Revenue Code; and
  (c) The result of the calculation in subdivision (b) of this subsection shall be subtracted from the amount of federal taxable income used in subdivision (a) of this subsection. The result of subdivision, if greater than zero, shall be subtracted from federal taxable income.
- (7) Federal adjusted gross income shall be modified to exclude any amount repaid by the taxpayer for which a reduction in federal tax is allowed under section 1341(a)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- (8)(a) Federal adjusted gross income or, for corporations and fiduciaries, federal taxable income shall be reduced, to the extent included, by income from earnings, and state contributions received from the Nebraska educational savings plan trust created in sections 85-1801 to 85-1814 and any account established under the achieving a better life experience program as
- provided in sections 77-1401 to 77-1409.

  (b) Federal adjusted gross income or, for corporations and fiduciaries, federal taxable income shall be reduced by any contributions as a participant in the Nebraska educational savings plan trust or contributions to an account established under in the achieving a better life experience program made for the benefit of a beneficiary as provided in sections 77-1401 to 77-1409, to the extent not deducted for federal income tax purposes, but not to exceed five thousand dollars per married filing separate return or ten thousand dollars for any other return. With respect to a qualified rollover within the meaning of section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code from another state's plan, any interest, earnings, and state contributions received from the other state's educational savings plan which is qualified under section 529 of the code shall qualify for the reduction provided in this subdivision. For contributions by a custodian of a custodial account including rollovers from another custodial account, the reduction shall only apply to funds added to the custodial account after January 1, 2014.
- (c) Federal adjusted gross income or, for corporations and fiduciaries,
- federal taxable income shall be increased by:

  (i) The the amount resulting from the cancellation of a participation agreement refunded to the taxpayer as a participant in the Nebraska educational savings plan trust to the extent previously deducted <u>under subdivision (8)(b)</u> of this section; and
- (ii) The amount of any withdrawals by the owner of an account established <u>under</u> as a contribution to the trust or in the achieving a better life experience program as provided in sections 77-1401 to 77-1409 for nonqualified expenses to the extent previously deducted under subdivision (8)(b) of this section , if applicable.
- (9)(a) For income tax returns filed after September 10, 2001, for taxable years beginning or deemed to begin before January 1, 2006, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, federal adjusted gross income or, for corporations and fiduciaries, federal taxable income shall be increased by eighty-five percent of any amount of any federal bonus depreciation received under the federal Job Creation and Worker Assistance Act of 2002 or the federal
- Jobs and Growth Tax Act of 2003, under section 168(k) or section 1400L of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, for assets placed in service after September 10, 2001, and before December 31, 2005.

  (b) For a partnership, limited liability company, cooperative, including any cooperative exempt from income taxes under section 521 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, limited cooperative association, subchapter Section 2002 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, limited cooperative association, subchapter Section 2003 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, limited cooperative association, subchapter Section 2003 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, limited cooperative association, subchapter Section 2003 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, limited cooperative association, subchapter Section 2003 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, limited cooperative association, subchapter Section 2003 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, limited cooperative association, subchapter Section 2003 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, limited cooperative association, subchapter Section 2003 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, limited cooperative association, subchapter Section 2003 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, limited cooperative association, subchapter Section 2003 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, limited cooperative association, subchapter Section 2003 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, limited cooperative association, subchapter Section 2003 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, limited cooperative association, subchapter Section 2003 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, limited cooperative association and limited Code of 1986, as amended as a limited code of 1986, as a lim corporation, or joint venture, the increase shall be distributed to the partners, members, shareholders, patrons, or beneficiaries in the same manner as income is distributed for use against their income tax liabilities.
- (c) For a corporation with a unitary business having activity both inside and outside the state, the increase shall be apportioned to Nebraska in the same manner as income is apportioned to the state by section 77-2734.05.

  (d) The amount of bonus depreciation added to federal adjusted gross income or, for corporations and fiduciaries, federal taxable income by this subsection shall be subtracted in a later taxable year. Thenty percent of the
- subsection shall be subtracted in a later taxable year. Twenty percent of the total amount of bonus depreciation added back by this subsection for tax years beginning or deemed to begin before January 1, 2003, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, may be subtracted in the first taxable year beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2005, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and twenty percent in each of the next four following taxable years. Twenty percent of the total amount of bonus depreciation added back by this subsection for tax years beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2003, may be subtracted in the first taxable year beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2006, under the Internal Revenue Code of total amount of bonus depreciation added back by this subsection for tax years

1986, as amended, and twenty percent in each of the next four following taxable vears.

- (10) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2003, and before January 1, 2006, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, federal adjusted gross income or, for corporations and fiduciaries, federal taxable income shall be increased by the amount of any capital investment that is expensed under section 179 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, that is in excess of twenty-five thousand dollars that is allowed under the federal Jobs and Growth Tax Act of 2003. Twenty percent of the total amount of expensing added back by this subsection for tax years beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2003, may be subtracted in the first taxable year beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2006, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and twenty percent in each of the next four following tax years.
- in each of the next four following tax years.

  (11)(a) Federal adjusted gross income shall be reduced by contributions, up to two thousand dollars per married filing jointly return or one thousand dollars for any other return, and any investment earnings made as a participant in the Nebraska long-term care savings plan under the Long-Term Care Savings Plan Act, to the extent not deducted for federal income tax purposes.

  (b) Federal adjusted gross income shall be increased by the withdrawals
- (b) Federal adjusted gross income shall be increased by the withdrawals made as a participant in the Nebraska long-term care savings plan under the act by a person who is not a qualified individual or for any reason other than transfer of funds to a spouse, long-term care expenses, long-term care insurance premiums, or death of the participant, including withdrawals made by reason of cancellation of the participation agreement or termination of the plan, to the extent previously deducted as a contribution or as investment earnings.
- (12) There shall be added to federal adjusted gross income for individuals, estates, and trusts any amount taken as a credit for franchise tax paid by a financial institution under sections 77-3801 to 77-3807 as allowed by subsection (5) of section 77-2715.07.
- (13) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2015, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, federal adjusted gross income shall be reduced by the amount received as benefits under the federal Social Security Act which are included in the federal adjusted gross income if:
- (a) For taxpayers filing a married filing joint return, federal adjusted gross income is fifty-eight thousand dollars or less; or
- (b) For taxpayers filing any other return, federal adjusted gross income is forty-three thousand dollars or less.
- (14) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2015, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, an individual may make a one-time election within two calendar years after the date of his or her retirement from the military to exclude income received as a military retirement benefit by the individual to the extent included in federal adjusted gross income and as provided in this subsection. The individual may elect to exclude forty percent of his or her military retirement benefit income for seven consecutive taxable years beginning with the year in which the election is made or may elect to exclude fifteen percent of his or her military retirement benefit income for all taxable years beginning with the year in which he or she turns sixty-seven years of age. For purposes of this subsection, military retirement benefit means retirement benefits that are periodic payments attributable to service in the uniformed services of the United States for personal services performed by an individual prior to his or her retirement.
- Sec. 4. Section 77-2791, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 77-2791 (1) The Tax Commissioner, within the applicable period of limitations, may credit an overpayment of income tax and interest on such overpayment against any liability in respect of any tax imposed by the tax laws of this state on the person who made the overpayment, and the balance shall be refunded by the State Treasurer out of the General Fund.
- (2) If the amount allowable as a credit for income tax withheld from the taxpayer exceeds his or her tax to which the credit relates, the excess shall be considered an overpayment.
- (3) A refundable income tax credit is considered an overpayment even if the taxpayer has no income tax liability prior to applying the refundable credit.
- $(4\ 3)$  If there has been an overpayment of tax required to be deducted and withheld under section 77-2753, refund shall be made to the employer or the payor only to the extent that the amount of the overpayment was not deducted and withheld by the employer or the payor.
- and withheld by the employer or the payor.  $(\underline{5}\ 4)$  The Tax Commissioner may adopt and promulgate rules and regulations providing for the crediting against the estimated income tax for any taxable year of the amount determined to be an overpayment of the income tax for a preceding taxable year.
- $(\underline{6}$  5) If any amount of income tax is assessed or collected after the expiration of the period of limitations properly applicable thereto, such amount shall be considered an overpayment.
- Sec. 5. Section 77-2793, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, is amended to read:
- 77-2793 (1) A claim for credit or refund of an overpayment of any income tax imposed by the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967 shall be filed by the taxpayer

LB776 2016 LB776 2016

within three years from the time the return was filed or two years from the time the tax was paid, whichever of such periods expires later. If there was no return filed by the taxpayer, a A claim for credit or refund of a refundable credit shall be filed by the taxpayer within three years after the due date of the return for the year in which the refundable credit was allowable. No credit or refund shall be allowed or made after the expiration of the period of limitation prescribed in this subsection for the filing of a claim for credit or refund unless a claim for credit or refund is filed by the taxpayer within such period.

- (2) If a claim for credit or refund of an overpayment or for credit or refund of a refundable credit is filed by the taxpayer during the applicable three-year period prescribed in subsection (1) of this section, the amount of the credit or refund shall not exceed the portion of the tax paid or any refundable credit allowable within the three years immediately preceding the filing of the claim plus the period of any extension of time for filing the return if such return was filed prior to the end of the extension of time. If a claim for credit or refund of an overpayment is not filed within the three-year period prescribed in subsection (1) of this section, but is filed within the two-year period prescribed in subsection (1) of this section, the amount of the credit or refund shall not exceed the portion of the tax paid or any refundable credit allowable during the two years immediately preceding the filing of the claim. If no claim is filed, the credit or refund shall not exceed the amount which would be allowable under either of the preceding sentences, as the case may be, if a claim was filed on the date the credit or refund is allowed.
- (3) If an agreement for an extension of the period for assessment of income taxes is made within the period prescribed in subsection (1) of this section for the filing of a claim for credit or refund, the period for filing claim for credit or for making credit or refund if no claim is filed shall not expire prior to six months after the expiration of the period within which an assessment may be made pursuant to the agreement or any extension thereof.
- assessment may be made pursuant to the agreement or any extension thereof.

  (4) If a taxpayer is required by subsection (1) of section 77-2775 to report a change or correction in federal adjusted gross income, taxable income, or tax liability reported on his or her federal income tax return, or to report a change or correction which is treated in the same manner as if it were an overpayment for federal income tax purposes, or to file an amended return with the Tax Commissioner, a claim for credit or refund of any resulting overpayment of tax shall be filed by the taxpayer within two years from the time the notice of such change or correction or such amended return was required to be filed with the Tax Commissioner. If the report or amended return is not filed within the sixty-day period specified in such subsection, interest on any resulting refund or credit shall cease to accrue after such sixtieth day. The amount of such credit or refund shall not exceed the amount of the reduction in tax attributable to such federal change, correction, or items amended on the taxpayer's amended federal income tax return. This subsection shall not affect the time within which or the amount for which a claim for credit or refund may be filed apart from this subsection.
- (5)(a) If a taxpayer is required by subsection (2) of section 77-2775 to report a change or correction in the amount of income taxable or tax credit allowable in one or more states and such changes or corrections when reflected in the return filed under the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967 as most recently amended would result in an overpayment of tax, a claim for credit or refund shall be filed by the taxpayer within the earlier of (i) two years from the time the notice of such change or correction or such amended return was required to be filed with the Tax Commissioner or (ii) ten years from the due date of the return.
- date of the return.

  (b) If the report or amended return is not filed within the sixty-day period specified in such subsection, interest on any resulting refund or credit shall cease to accrue after such sixtieth day. The amount of such credit or refund shall not exceed the lesser of (i) the reduction in tax attributable to the change or correction in the amount of income taxable or the credit allowable in such other state in the return filed under the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967 or (ii) the increase in tax actually paid to such other state or states.
- (c) This subsection shall not affect the time within which or the amount for which a claim for credit or refund may be filed apart from this subsection. This subsection shall apply to changes or corrections which become final on or after May 1, 1993.
- after May 1, 1993.

  (6) If the claim for credit or refund relates to an overpayment attributable to a net operating loss carryback derived from or connected with Nebraska sources, the claim may be made under rules and regulations prescribed by the Tax Commissioner consistent, to the extent possible under the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967, with the laws of the United States.
- by the Tax Commissioner consistent, to the extent possible under the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967, with the laws of the United States.

  (7) For purposes of this section and section 77-2795, a timely filed petition for redetermination shall be considered a claim for credit or refund filed on the date the notice of deficiency determination was mailed.
- Sec. 6. Section 77-3508, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, is amended to read:
- 77-3508 (1)(a) All homesteads in this state shall be assessed for taxation the same as other property, except that there shall be exempt from taxation, on any homestead described in subdivision (b) of this subsection, a percentage of the exempt amount as limited by section 77-3506.03. The exemption shall be based on the household income of a claimant pursuant to subsections (2) through (4) of this section.

(b) The exemption described in subdivision (a) of this subsection shall apply to homesteads of:

- (i) Veterans as defined in section 80-401.01 who were discharged or otherwise separated with a characterization of honorable or general (under honorable conditions) and who are totally disabled by a non-service-connected accident or illness;
- (ii) Individuals who have a permanent physical disability and have lost all mobility so as to preclude locomotion without the regular use of a mechanical aid or prostheses;
- (iii) Individuals who have undergone amputation of both arms above the elbow or who have a permanent partial disability of both arms in excess of seventy-five percent; and

  (iv) Beginning January 1, 2015, individuals who have a developmental
- individuals who have a developmental
- disability as defined in section 83-1205.

  (c) Application for the exemption described in subdivision (a) of this subsection shall include certification from a qualified medical physician, physician assistant, or advanced practice registered nurse for subdivisions (b) (i) through (b)(iii) of this subsection, certification from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs affirming that the homeowner is totally disabled due to non-service-connected accident or illness for subdivision (b)(i) of this subsection, or certification from the Department of Health and Human Services for subdivision (b)(iv) of this subsection. Such certification from a qualified medical physician, physician assistant, or advanced practice registered nurse or from the Department of Health and Human Services shall be made on forms prescribed by the Department of Revenue. If an individual described in subdivision (b)(ii), (iii), or (iv) of this subsection is granted a homestead example of the prescribed programment of the subsection is granted and the programment of the subsection is granted and the programment of the subsection is granted and the programment of the subsection is granted and progra exemption pursuant to this section for any year, such individual shall not be required to submit the certification required under this subdivision in succeeding years if no change in medical condition has occurred, except that the county assessor or the Tax Commissioner may request such certification to verify that no change in medical condition has occurred.
- (2) For 2014, for a married or closely related claimant as described in subsection (1) of this section, the percentage of the exempt amount for which the claimant shall be eligible shall be the percentage in Column B which corresponds with the claimant's household income in Column A in the table found in this subsection.

Column A	Column B
Household Income	Percentage
In Dollars	Of Relief
0 through 34,700	100
34,701 through 36,400	90
36,401 through 38,100	80
38,101 through 39,800	70
39,801 through 41,500	60
41,501 through 43,200	50
43,201 through 44,900	40
44,901 through 46,600	30
46,601 through 48,300	20
48,301 through 50,000	10
50,001 and over	0

(3) For 2014, for a single claimant as described in subsection (1) of this section, the percentage of the exempt amount for which the claimant shall be eligible shall be the percentage in Column B which corresponds with the claimant's household income in Column A in the table found in this subsection.

Column A	Column B
Household Income	Percentage
In Dollars	Of Relief
0 through 30,300	100
30,301 through 31,700	90
31,701 through 33,100	80

33,101 through 34,500	70
34,501 through 35,900	60
35,901 through 37,300	50
37,301 through 38,700	40
38,701 through 40,100	30
40,101 through 41,500	20
41,501 through 42,900	10
42,901 and over	Θ

(4) For exemption applications filed in calendar year 2015 and each year thereafter, the income eligibility amounts in subsections (2) and (3) of this section shall be adjusted for inflation by the method provided in section 151 of the Internal Revenue Code. The income eligibility amounts shall be adjusted for cumulative inflation since 2014. If any amount is not a multiple of one hundred dollars, the amount shall be rounded to the next lower multiple of one hundred dollars. hundred dollars.

Sec. 7. Sections 3, 4, 5, and 8 of this act become operative for all taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2016, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Sections 1 and 10 of this act become operative on October 1, 2016. Sections 6 and 11 of this act become operative on January 1, 2017. The other sections of this act become operative

on their effective date. Sec. 8. Original section 77-2791, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, section 77-2793, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, and section 77-2716, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2015, are repealed.

Sec. 9. Original section 77-2712.03, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, is repealed.

Sec. 10. Original section 77-2704.24, Reissue Revised Statutes of

Sec. 10. Origi Nebraska, is repealed.

Sec. 11. Original section 77-3508, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, is repealed.