



Pete Ricketts, Governor

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## 2021 Property Tax Credit of 25.3% Historic

FEBRUARY 1, 2022 (LINCOLN, NEB.) — Today, Tax Commissioner Tony Fulton reminds Nebraska income tax filers as they prepare their Individual Tax returns for 2021 that Nebraskans will be able to claim a refundable income tax credit of 25.3% of qualified school district taxes paid because of LB1107. Commissioner Fulton said, "This is the largest refundable income tax credit to date, this puts dollars back into the pockets of the people who paid soaring property taxes across the entire state." Fulton added, "Month after month, all year long, Nebraskans saw the economy grow and tax receipts continued to climb creating this super-sized tax credit." Taxpayers can claim this credit by filing the Nebraska Property Tax Incentive Act Credit Computation, Form PTC, with their income tax or franchise tax returns. It is simple to claim by going to the Nebraska Department of Revenue website here and using the "Nebraska School District Property Tax Look-Up Tool." This tool is now ready to use when preparing your tax return.

Every Nebraska taxpayer that paid qualified school district property taxes can claim a refundable income tax credit or franchise tax credit (credit) when filing a 2021 tax return. This credit is in addition to the Real Property Tax Credit that is applied directly to property tax statements received from local county treasurers each December.

Last year the 6% credit rate was based on the appropriated amount of \$125 million available. This year the 25.3% credit rate was based on \$548 million available for tax relief. This large amount is because of Nebraska's strong economy and high cash reserve balance.

"We've successfully controlled spending and grown Nebraska," said Governor Pete Ricketts. "These accomplishments have made it possible to deliver historic amounts of property tax relief, including a more than fourfold increase in the Refundable Income Tax Credit for tax year 2021. Our strong growth has set the stage for the Legislature to provide even more tax relief to Nebraskans in 2022."

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