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Veterans Exemption

LARAMIE COUNTY, WY- Laramie County Assessor Todd Ernst wants to remind eligible veterans that between January 1, 2024, and the 4th Monday in May is the time to notify his office of their wish to use the exemption on their 2024 property taxes.

The property tax benefit may only be claimed in one county annually and shall only apply to the principal residence of the veteran or qualifying surviving spouse.

Ernst stated, "Veterans must have received the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal or its equivalent or been active duty between 12/7/1941 and 12/31/1946, 6/27/1950 and 1/31/1955, or 2/28/1961 and 5/7/1975. The veteran or surviving spouse must have been a resident of Wyoming for the 3 years prior to claiming the exemption."

Ernst added, "A disabled veteran with a compensable service-connected disability, certified by the Veterans' Administration, is eligible for the exemption regardless of the time of service."

The exemption reduces the assessed valuation by \$3,000 annually. The tax dollar amount varies depending on the mill levy for each tax district. The approximate savings are about \$213.00.

Veterans must contact the office between January 1st and May 28, 2024, to receive the exemption for the 2024 tax year. If the veteran has already submitted the eligible documents to the assessor's office, they can renew by calling the office, stopping into the office or they can renew online.

Ernst and Assessor staff would like to thank all veterans for their service.

For more information, contact the Assessor's office located on the first floor of the County Governmental Complex, 309 West 20th St., or call 633-4307. Additional information about the assessment process can be obtained at: www.laramiecountywy.gov. (under County Assessor).