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Introduced by M. of A. RAIA, KOLB, SALADINO, MALLIOTAKIS, RA, CURRAN, BLANKENBUSH, GRAF, LALOR, CROUCH, FINCH, DiPIETRO -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. BARCLAY, BUTLER, FITZPATRICK, GIGLIO, HAWLEY, JOHNS, McDONOUGH, McKEVITT, OAKS, STEC, THIELE -- read once and referred to the Committee on Real Property Taxation

AN ACT to amend the real property tax law, in relation to the veteran's alternative exemption

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) of subdivision 2 of section 458-a of the real property tax law, paragraph (a) as amended by chapter 899 of the laws of 1985, paragraph (b) as amended by chapter 473 of the laws of 2004, and paragraph (c) as amended by chapter 100 of the laws of 1988, are amended to read as follows:

(a) Qualifying residential real property shall be exempt from taxation to the extent of fifteen percent of the assessed value of such property; provided, however, that such exemption shall not exceed [~~twelve~~] sixteen thousand dollars or the product of [~~twelve~~] sixteen thousand dollars multiplied by the latest state equalization rate for the assessing unit, or in the case of a special assessing unit, the latest class ratio, whichever is less.

(b) In addition to the exemption provided by paragraph (a) of this subdivision, where the veteran served in a combat theatre or combat zone of operations, as documented by the award of a United States campaign ribbon or service medal, or the armed forces expeditionary medal, navy expeditionary medal, marine corps expeditionary medal, or global war on terrorism expeditionary medal, qualifying residential real property also shall be exempt from taxation to the extent of ten percent of the assessed value of such property; provided, however, that such exemption shall not exceed [~~eight~~] ten thousand dollars or the product of [~~eight~~] ten thousand dollars multiplied by the latest state equalization rate

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [~~-~~] is old law to be omitted.

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1 for the assessing unit, or in the case of a special assessing unit, the  
2 class ratio, whichever is less.

3 (c) In addition to the exemptions provided by paragraphs (a) and (b)  
4 of this subdivision, where the veteran received a compensation rating  
5 from the United States veteran's administration or from the United  
6 States department of defense because of a service connected disability,  
7 qualifying residential real property shall be exempt from taxation to  
8 the extent of the product of the assessed value of such property multi-  
9 plied by fifty percent of the veteran's disability rating; provided,  
10 however, that such exemption shall not exceed [~~forty~~] fifty thousand  
11 dollars or the product of [~~forty~~] fifty thousand dollars multiplied by  
12 the latest state equalization rate for the assessing unit, or in the  
13 case of a special assessing unit, the latest class ratio, whichever is  
14 less. For purposes of this paragraph, where a person who served in the  
15 active military, naval or air service during a period of war died in  
16 service of a service connected disability, such person shall be deemed  
17 to have been assigned a compensation rating of one hundred percent.

18 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to taxes  
19 levied on assessment rolls completed on and after July 1, 2004.