1	State of Arkansas	As Engrossed: H4/2/25	
2	95th General Assembly	A Bill	
3	Regular Session, 2025		HOUSE BILL 1809
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5	By: Representative Warren		
6	By: Senator M. McKee		
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8		For An Act To Be Entitled	
9	AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE PROPERTY TAX		
10	EXEMPTION FOR DISABLED VETERANS AND SURVIVING SPOUSES		
11	AND MINOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN OF DISABLED VETERANS; TO		
12	ALLOW FOR PROPERTY OWNED BY A TRUST OR A LIMITED		
13	LIABILITY	COMPANY TO QUALIFY AS A HOMESTEAD	FOR
14	PURPOSES	OF THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR I	DISABLED
15	VETERANS	AND SURVIVING SPOUSES AND MINOR DE	PENDENT
16	CHILDREN OF DISABLED VETERANS IN CERTAIN		
17	CIRCUMSTA	NCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.	
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20		Subtitle	
21	TO A	ALLOW FOR PROPERTY OWNED BY A TRUST	
22	OR A	A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY TO	
23	QUA	LIFY AS A HOMESTEAD FOR PURPOSES OF	
24	THE	PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR DISABLE	D
25	VET	ERANS IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.	
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27	BE IT ENACTED BY THE	GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF A	RKANSAS:
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29	SECTION 1. Ark	tansas Code § 26-3-306(a)(2), concer	rning the property tax
30	exemption for disabled veterans and the surviving spouses and minor dependen		
31	children of disabled	veterans, is amended to read as for	llows:
32	(2) As u	sed in this section:	
33	(A)	(i) "Homestead" means the:	
34		(i)(a) Dwelling that a di	isabled veteran,
35	surviving spouse of a	disabled veteran, or minor depende	ent child of a
36	disabled veteran occu	pies as his or her principal place	of residence; and

1	(ii)(b) Up to forty (40) acres of real		
2	property contiguous to the dwelling under subdivision $\frac{(a)(2)(A)(i)}{(a)}$		
3	(a)(2)(A)(i)(a) of this section if the contiguous property is not being used		
4	for a commercial purpose.		
5	(ii) "Homestead" includes a dwelling and real		
6	property contiguous to the dwelling that:		
7	(a) Meets the requirements of subdivision		
8	(a)(2)(A)(i) of this section; and		
9	(b) Is owned by:		
10	(1) A revocable trust formed by the		
11	disabled veteran who uses the dwelling as his or her principal place of		
12	residence;		
13	(2) An irrevocable trust of which the		
14	disabled veteran who uses the dwelling as his or her principal place of		
15	residence is a beneficiary; or		
16	(3) A limited liability company, the		
17	sole members of which are the disabled veteran who uses the dwelling as his		
18	or her principal place of residence or the disabled veteran who uses the		
19	dwelling as his or her principal place of residence and his or her spouse;		
20	and		
21	(B) "Personal property" means only those items of tangible		
22	personal property used <u>that are:</u>		
23	(i) Used for other than a commercial or business		
24	purpose; and		
25	(ii) Registered in the name of the disabled veteran		
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27	SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 26-3-306(b), concerning the property tax		
28	exemption for disabled veterans and the surviving spouses and minor dependen		
29	children of disabled veterans, is amended to add an additional subdivision t		
30	read as follows:		
31	(3) A disabled veteran eligible for the exemption provided in		
32	this section and desiring to claim an exemption with respect to property		
33	described under:		
34	(A) Subdivision (a)(2)(A)(ii)(b)(2) of this section shall		
35	furnish to the county collector a signed, notarized, and file-marked copy of		
36	the irrevocable trust; or		

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1	(B) Subdivision $(a)(2)(A)(ii)(b)(3)$ of this section shall			
2	furnish to the county collector the proof of eligibility required under § 26			
3	26-1118(b)(2)(A)(ii).			
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5	SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. Sections 1 and 2 of this act are effective			
6	for assessment years beginning on or after January 1, 2026.			
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8	/s/Warren			
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