HJR 30 -- Property Tax Exemption for Veterans

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Upon voter approval, beginning January 1, 2013, this proposed constitutional amendment authorizes an exemption of a portion of a veteran's homestead property from property tax based on his or degree of service-connected disability as specified in the resolution. Any veteran 65 years of age or older with at least a 10% disability rating can receive an exemption of 100% of his or her appraised value. A surviving spouse and any unmarried minor children of a service member who dies in active duty will receive an exemption for the first \$5,000 of appraised value of the member's homestead, and a surviving spouse of a veteran eligible for an exemption will receive the exemption as long as he or she does not remarry or claim a 100% exemption. The exemption will apply on the real property until the property changes ownership or the individual no longer qualifies.