SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 16
42ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1996
INTRODUCED BY
MANNY M ARAGON
A JOINT RESOLUTION
PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 8 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF NEW
MEXICO TO INCREASE THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR HEADS OF
FAMILY.
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:
Section 1. It is proposed to amend Article 8, Section 5 of
the constitution of New Mexico to read:
" <u>Beginning in 1997</u> the legislature shall exempt from
taxation of property $[of]$ for each head of the family $[to the$
amount of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) as follows: in 1989, the
legislature shall exempt from taxation eight hundred dollars
(\$800); in 1991, one thousand four hundred dollars (\$1,400) and
beginning; in 1993, two thousand dollars (\$2,000)] the amount of
twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000). The legislature shall also
exempt from taxation the property, including the community or

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joint property of husband and wife, of every honorably discharged member of the armed forces of the United States who served in such armed forces during any period in which they were or are engaged in armed conflict under orders of the president of the United States, and the widow or widower of every such honorably discharged member of the armed forces of the United States, in the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000). Provi ded. that in every case where exemption is claimed on the ground of 8 the claimant's having served with the armed forces of the United States as aforesaid, the burden of proving actual and bona fide ownership of such property upon which exemption is claimed, 12 shall be upon the claimant."

Section 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution shall be submitted to the people for their approval or rejection at the next general election or at any special election prior to that date which may be called for that purpose.

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