

By Senator Wise

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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to homestead exemptions for

3 totally and permanently disabled persons;

4 amending s. 196.101, F.S.; providing a

5 homestead exemption for real estate used by a

6 person who is totally and permanently disabled

7 due to paraplegia or hemiplegia; removing a

8 requirement that a totally and permanently

9 disabled person must be in a wheelchair;

10 providing an effective date.

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12 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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14 Section 1. Subsection (2) of section 196.101, Florida

15 Statutes, is amended to read:

16 196.101 Exemption for totally and permanently disabled

17 persons.--

18 (2) Any real estate used and owned as a homestead by a

19 person who is totally and permanently disabled due to

20 paraplegia or hemiplegia ~~paraplegic, hemiplegic,~~ or other

21 totally and permanently disabled person, as defined in s.

22 196.012(11), ~~who must use a wheelchair for mobility~~ or by a

23 person who is legally blind, is exempt from taxation.

24 Section 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 2008.

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27 SENATE SUMMARY

28 Provides a homestead exemption for real estate used by a

29 person who is totally and permanently disabled due to

30 paraplegia or hemiplegia. Removes a requirement that a

31 totally and permanently disabled person must be in a

wheelchair.