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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to payment of homestead
property taxes for active duty deployed
military personnel; providing legislative
intent; authorizing deployed active duty
military personnel to apply to the Department
of Revenue for payment of certain ad valorem
taxes for a certain time period; providing
duties of property appraisers and the
department; providing an appropriation;
providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. (1) It is the intent of the Legislature
that the state pay the ad valorem property taxes on homestead
property of any active duty deployed military personnel for up
to 1 year or prorated for the days of active deployment in a
given year.

(2) Any active duty deployed military personnel may
apply to the Department of Revenue to have the ad valorem
taxes imposed upon his or her homestead property paid by the
state for up to 1 year or for the prorated days of active
employment during 1 year.

(3) The property appraiser of each county shall submit
a request to the Department of Revenue for each homestead
property for which the owner submits appropriate documentation
showing his or her impending deployment or actual deployment.
Within 30 days after receiving such request, the Department of
Revenue shall remit to the county tax collector the amount of

1 the tax bill for the period of the estimated deployment,
2 rounded to the nearest complete month, up to 1 year.

3 Section 2. The sum of \$1 million is appropriated from
4 the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Revenue for
5 purposes of paying ad valorem taxes as provided by this act.

6 Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
7 law.

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