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New Property Tax Reduction for Seniors

Hamilton County Auditor Dusty Rhodes says the State Legislature has passed legislation to expand the Homestead Exemption program and reduce property taxes for all senior citizens and permanently disabled homeowners.

All homeowners who are 65 or older or permanently disabled will now receive an exemption of \$25,000 on the appraised value of their home from property taxes on a single family residence, regardless of their income. The income limits under the former program have been eliminated.

The new law was effective on July 2. New applicants who were previously not eligible may enroll from now until October 1st. Homeowners can apply for Homestead Exemption in the year they turn 65 as long as they own and occupy the house as of January 1 of the year they file.

Rhodes said homeowners who are currently receiving the Homestead reduction will automatically be included in the expanded program and do not need to contact the Auditor's Office.

Proof of age will be required for new applicants. We will accept a photocopy of a picture ID such as a driver's license, a State of Ohio ID card or a birth certificate. For more information call 513-946-4099.

Applications are available on the Hamilton County Auditor's website at www.hamiltoncountyauditor.org; and they will be available in the Auditor's Office, 138 East Court Street, Room 310. The Auditor's office is planning to have applications available in other locations throughout the county within the next few weeks.

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