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One Year Automatic Renewal of Property Tax Exemptions Passed by Illinois Governor

June 29, 2020 – Governor J.B. Pritzker has passed Senate Bill 685, which automatically renews three homestead exemptions for the next property tax year due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The legislation will allow homeowners who get the Persons with Disabilities Exemption, the Veterans with Disabilities Exemption, and/or the Senior Freeze Exemption can renew these exemptions without re-applying for them in 2021.

The three tax exemptions will automatically be approved without application for the 2020 tax year only. Homeowners who are newly qualified to receive any of these exemptions, but had never received it before, will need to apply as a new applicant.

Prior to the passage of this bill, homeowners needed to re-apply every year to receive these exemptions. County assessment officers are still permitted to conduct audits of taxpayers claiming an exemption in order to verify the applicant is eligible to receive the Senior Freeze Exemption.

"I applaud Assessor Fritz Kaegi for advancing SB 685 legislation during this critical time," said John R. Lawson, Township of Schaumburg Assessor. "I encourage our residents to call my office for information about their exemptions and to make sure their second installment bills are properly adjusted."

Any questions can be directed to the Township of Schaumburg Assessor's Office at (847) 884-0030 between 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. on Monday – Friday. Additional information can be found at: schaumburgtownship.org/departments/assessors-office/.

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