

1 HOUSE BILL 174

2 **55TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2021**

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10 AN ACT

11 RELATING TO TAXATION; DOUBLING AN INCOME TAX EXEMPTION FOR LOW-
12 INCOME PERSONS WHO ARE SIXTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER OR WHO
13 ARE BLIND.

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15 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

16 SECTION 1. Section 7-2-5.2 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1985,
17 Chapter 114, Section 1, as amended) is amended to read:

18 "7-2-5.2. EXEMPTION--INCOME OF PERSONS SIXTY-FIVE AND
19 OLDER OR BLIND.--For taxable years beginning on or after
20 January 1, 2021, any individual sixty-five years of age or
21 older or who, for federal income tax purposes, is blind may
22 claim an exemption in an amount specified in Subsections A
23 through C of this section not to exceed [~~eight thousand dollars~~
24 ~~(\$8,000)~~] sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000) of income
25 includable except for this exemption in net income.

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1 Individuals having income both within and without this state
2 shall apportion this exemption in accordance with regulations
3 of the secretary.

4 A. For married individuals filing separate returns
5 [~~for any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1987~~]:

6 The maximum amount of
7 If adjusted exemption allowable under
8 gross income is: this section shall be:

9 Not over \$15,000	[\$8,000]	<u>\$16,000</u>
10 Over \$15,000 but not over \$16,500	[\$7,000]	<u>\$14,000</u>
11 Over \$16,500 but not over \$18,000	[\$6,000]	<u>\$12,000</u>
12 Over \$18,000 but not over \$19,500	[\$5,000]	<u>\$10,000</u>
13 Over \$19,500 but not over \$21,000	[\$4,000]	<u>\$8,000</u>
14 Over \$21,000 but not over \$22,500	[\$3,000]	<u>\$6,000</u>
15 Over \$22,500 but not over \$24,000	[\$2,000]	<u>\$4,000</u>
16 Over \$24,000 but not over \$25,500	[\$1,000]	<u>\$2,000</u>
17 Over \$25,500		0.

18 B. For heads of household, surviving spouses and
19 married individuals filing joint returns [~~for any taxable year~~
20 ~~beginning on or after January 1, 1987~~]:

21 The maximum amount of
22 If adjusted exemption allowable under
23 gross income is: this section shall be:

24 Not over \$30,000	[\$8,000]	<u>\$16,000</u>
25 Over \$30,000 but not over \$33,000	[\$7,000]	<u>\$14,000</u>

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1	Over \$33,000 but not over \$36,000	[\$6,000]	<u>\$12,000</u>
2	Over \$36,000 but not over \$39,000	[\$5,000]	<u>\$10,000</u>
3	Over \$39,000 but not over \$42,000	[\$4,000]	<u>\$8,000</u>
4	Over \$42,000 but not over \$45,000	[\$3,000]	<u>\$6,000</u>
5	Over \$45,000 but not over \$48,000	[\$2,000]	<u>\$4,000</u>
6	Over \$48,000 but not over \$51,000	[\$1,000]	<u>\$2,000</u>
7	Over \$51,000		0.

8 C. For single individuals [~~for any taxable year~~
9 ~~beginning on or after January 1, 1987~~]:

10 The maximum amount of
11 If adjusted exemption allowable under
12 gross income is: this section shall be:

13	Not over \$18,000	[\$8,000]	<u>\$16,000</u>
14	Over \$18,000 but not over \$19,500	[\$7,000]	<u>\$14,000</u>
15	Over \$19,500 but not over \$21,000	[\$6,000]	<u>\$12,000</u>
16	Over \$21,000 but not over \$22,500	[\$5,000]	<u>\$10,000</u>
17	Over \$22,500 but not over \$24,000	[\$4,000]	<u>\$8,000</u>
18	Over \$24,000 but not over \$25,500	[\$3,000]	<u>\$6,000</u>
19	Over \$25,500 but not over \$27,000	[\$2,000]	<u>\$4,000</u>
20	Over \$27,000 but not over \$28,500	[\$1,000]	<u>\$2,000</u>
21	Over \$28,500		0."