HB581 2nd Public Hearing

Property Tax Implications and HB581 Impact



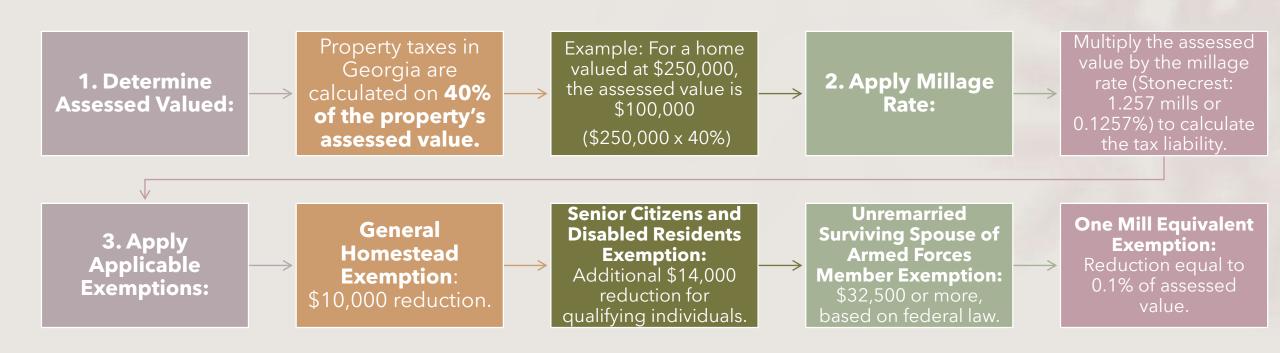
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Understanding the Floating Homestead Exemption (HB581)

- HB581 limits property value increases for homestead properties to the inflation rate as measured by the consumer price index.
- Example: If a \$100,000 property's value rises to \$110,000, but inflation is 2%, the taxable value can only increase \$102,000. The exemption covers the remaining \$8,000.



Step-by Step: How Property Taxes are Calculated in Georgia





Example 1- \$250,000 Home (City of Stonecrest)

- Home Value: \$250,000
- Assessed Value (40%): \$100,000
- Millage Rate: 1.257 mills (0.001257%)
- Tax Before Exemptions: \$126
- Exemptions Applied:
- General Homestead Exemption: -\$10,000 assessed value
- Adjusted Value: \$90,000
- One Mill Equivalent Exemption: $-$90 \times$
- Final Property Tax: \$23.13



Example 2- \$500,000 Home (City of Stonecrest)

- Home Value: \$500,000
- Assessed Value(40%): \$200,000
- **Millage Rate:** 1.257 mills (0.001257%)
- Tax Before Exemptions: \$251
- Exemptions Applied:
- General Homestead Exemption: -\$10,000 assessed value
- Adjusted Assessed Value: \$190,000
- One Mill Equivalent Exemption: -\$190
- Final Property Tax: \$48.83



Example 3: \$1,000,000 Home (City of Stonecrest)

- Home Value: \$1,000,000
- Assessed Value (40%): \$400,000
- **Millage Rate:** 1.257 mills (0.1257%)
- Tax Before Exemptions: \$503
- Exemptions Applied:
- General Homestead Exemption: -\$10,000 assessed value
- Adjusted Assessed Value: \$390,000
- One Mill Equivalent Exemption: -\$390
- Final Property Tax: \$100.23

Hypothetical Property Tax Impact: 10% Market Appreciation vs. 3% CPI Cap

Base Year Value (\$)	Increased Market Value (10%)	Inflation Limit Value (3%)	Difference in Values	Final Property Tax Without HB581	Final Property Tax With HB581	Tax Savings Due to HB581
\$250,000	\$275,000	\$257,500	<i>\$17,500</i>	\$23	\$22	\$1
\$500,000	\$550,000	\$515,000	<i>\$35,000</i>	\$49	\$46	\$3
\$1,000,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,030,000	<i>\$70,000</i>	\$100	\$94	\$6

NOTE: Doesn't include the following exemptions

- 1. Senior Citizens and Disabled Residents Exemption: An exemption of \$14,000 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents who are senior citizens or disabled.
- 2. Unremarried Surviving Spouse of Armed Forces Member Exemption: An exemption for the unremarried surviving spouse of a member of the armed forces killed in action, equal to the greater of \$32,500 or the maximum amount allowed under federal law.

2024 Property Tax Impact Analysis: Actual Market Appreciation vs. CPI Cap

Base Year Value	Increased Market Value (5.44%)	Inflation Limit Value (2.9%)	Difference in Values	Final Property Tax Without HB581	Final Property Tax With HB581	Tax Savings Due to HB581
\$250,000	\$263,600	\$257,250	<i>\$6,350</i>	\$25	\$24	\$0.65
\$500,000	\$527,200	\$514,500	<i>\$12,700</i>	\$52	\$50	\$1
\$1,000,000	\$1,054,400	\$1,029,000	<u>\$25,400</u>	\$106	\$103	\$3

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Minimal Financial Impact: Stonecrest exemptions already provide significant relief, reducing the need for additional measures under HB581.

Example 3: \$1,000,000 Home (City of Stonecrest)



Equity and Fairness: Opting out protects residents from potential tax disparities and unnecessary administrative complexity.



Local Control: Ensures Stonecrest maintains authority over its own exemptions and taxation process.

Questions?

