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LEGISLATIVE BILL 310

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Committee: Revenue

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections
- 2 77-2004, 77-2005, and 77-2006, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska;
- 3 to change inheritance tax rates and exemption amounts as prescribed;
- 4 to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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- 1 Section 1. Section 77-2004, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 2 amended to read:
- 3 77-2004 (1) In the case of a father, mother, grandfather,
- 4 grandmother, brother, sister, son, daughter, child or children legally
- 5 adopted as such in conformity with the laws of the state where adopted,
- 6 any lineal descendant, any lineal descendant legally adopted as such in
- 7 conformity with the laws of the state where adopted, any person to whom
- 8 the deceased for not less than ten years prior to death stood in the
- 9 acknowledged relation of a parent, or the spouse or surviving spouse of
- 10 any such persons, the rate of tax shall be:
- 11 (a) For decedents dying prior to January 1, 2022, one percent of the
- 12 clear market value of the property in excess of forty thousand dollars
- 13 received by each person in excess of forty thousand dollars; -
- 14 (b) For decedents dying during calendar year 2022, one percent of
- 15 the clear market value of the property received by each person in excess
- 16 of one hundred fifty thousand dollars;
- 17 <u>(c) For decedents dying during calendar year 2023, seventy-five</u>
- 18 <u>hundredths</u> of one percent of the clear market value of the property
- 19 received by each person in excess of one hundred fifty-five thousand
- 20 <u>dollars; and</u>
- 21 <u>(d) For decedents dying during calendar year 2024 or any calendar</u>
- 22 year thereafter, five-tenths of one percent of the clear market value of
- 23 the property received by each person in excess of the applicable exempt
- 24 amount for the year. For calendar year 2024, the exempt amount shall be
- 25 one hundred sixty thousand dollars. For each subsequent calendar year,
- 26 the exempt amount shall increase by five thousand dollars.
- 27 (2) Any interest in property, including any interest acquired in the
- 28 manner set forth in section 77-2002, which may be valued at a sum less
- 29 than or equal to the applicable exempt amount under subsection (1) of
- 30 <u>this section</u> forty thousand dollars shall not be subject to tax. In
- 31 addition the homestead allowance, exempt property, and family maintenance

1 allowance shall not be subject to tax. Interests passing to the surviving

- 2 spouse by will, in the manner set forth in section 77-2002, or in any
- 3 other manner shall not be subject to tax.
- 4 Sec. 2. Section 77-2005, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 5 amended to read:
- 6 77-2005 (1) In the case of an uncle, aunt, niece, or nephew related
- 7 to the deceased by blood or legal adoption, or other lineal descendant of
- 8 the same, or the spouse or surviving spouse of any of such persons, the
- 9 rate of tax shall be:
- 10 <u>(a) For decedents dying prior to January 1, 2022,</u> thirteen percent
- 11 of the clear market value of the property received by each person in
- 12 excess of fifteen thousand dollars; -
- 13 (b) For decedents dying during calendar year 2022, eleven percent of
- 14 the clear market value of the property received by each person in excess
- 15 of sixty thousand dollars;
- 16 (c) For decedents dying during calendar year 2023, nine percent of
- 17 the clear market value of the property received by each person in excess
- 18 of sixty-two thousand five hundred dollars; and
- 19 (d) For decedents dying during calendar year 2024 or any calendar
- 20 year thereafter, six percent of the clear market value of the property
- 21 received by each person in excess of the applicable exempt amount for the
- 22 <u>year. For calendar year 2024, the exempt amount shall be sixty-five</u>
- 23 thousand dollars. For each subsequent calendar year, the exempt amount
- 24 <u>shall increase by two thousand five hundred dollars.</u>
- 25 (2) If the clear market value of the beneficial interest is <u>less</u>
- 26 than or equal to the applicable exempt amount under subsection (1) of
- 27 <u>this section</u> fifteen thousand dollars or less, it shall not be subject to
- 28 tax.
- 29 Sec. 3. Section 77-2006, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 30 amended to read:
- 31 77-2006 (1) In all other cases the rate of tax shall be:

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1 (a) For decedents dying prior to January 1, 2022, eighteen percent

- 2 of on the clear market value of the beneficial interests received by each
- 3 person in excess of ten thousand dollars; -
- 4 (b) For decedents dying during calendar year 2022, fifteen percent
- 5 of the clear market value of the beneficial interests received by each
- 6 person in excess of forty thousand dollars;
- 7 (c) For decedents dying during calendar year 2023, twelve percent of
- 8 the clear market value of the beneficial interests received by each
- 9 person in excess of forty-two thousand five hundred dollars; and
- 10 (d) For decedents dying during calendar year 2024 or any calendar
- 11 year thereafter, nine percent of the clear market value of the beneficial
- 12 <u>interests</u> received by each person in excess of the applicable exempt
- 13 <u>amount for the year. For calendar year 2024, the exempt amount shall be</u>
- 14 forty-five thousand dollars. For each subsequent calendar year, the
- 15 exempt amount shall increase by two thousand five hundred dollars Such
- 16 rates of tax shall be applied to the clear market value of the beneficial
- 17 interests in excess of ten thousand dollars received by each person.
- 18 (2) If the clear market value of the beneficial interest is less
- 19 than or equal to the applicable exempt amount under subsection (1) of
- 20 <u>this section</u> ten thousand dollars or less, it shall not be subject to any
- 21 tax.
- 22 Sec. 4. Original sections 77-2004, 77-2005, and 77-2006, Reissue
- 23 Revised Statutes of Nebraska, are repealed.