

TAPE FOR WEEK OF AUG. 10

THIS IS CONGRESSMAN NICK RAHALL.

THE WEST VIRGINIA HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION ACT IS DESIGNED TO BENEFIT PERSONS OVER 65 YEARS OF AGE, AND THOSE WHO ARE TOTALLY DISABLED. THE ACT EXEMPTS TAXES FOR THE FIRST \$10,000 OF ASSESSED PROPERTY VALUE OWNED BY THESE INDIVIDUALS.

HOWEVER, TOTALLY DISABLED VETERANS, WHO ARE UNDER THE CARE OF FULL-TIME VETERANS ADMINISTRATION DOCTORS, HAVE BEEN HINDERED IN THEIR ATTEMPTS TO RECEIVE A TAX BREAK BECAUSE OF SOME UNNECESSARY RED-TAPE.

I HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH THE VA, AND HOPE TO HAVE CLEARED UP THIS PROBLEM.

TOTALLY DISABLED VETERANS WILL NOW BE ABLE TO SEND THE APPROPRIATE EXEMPTION FORMS TO THE REGIONAL VETERANS ADMINISTRATION OFFICE IN HUNTINGTON, WHERE THE FORMS WILL BE SIGNED BY A VA DOCTOR ON THE DISABILITY RATING BOARD. THE FORMS WILL THEN BE SENT TO THE PROPER COUNTY ASSESSOR.

MY FOUR DISTRICT OFFICES IN: HUNTINGTON, BECKLEY, LOGAN, AND BLUEFIELD, STAND READY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE ON THIS MATTER. IF YOU NEED ANY HELP, FEEL FREE TO GIVE ME CALL.

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