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2025 South Dakota Legislature

Senate Bill 88

Introduced by: Senator Pischke

An Act to increase the amount of exempt proceeds when a homestead is sold or divided by court order.

- BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 Section 1. That § 43-45-3 be AMENDED:

43-45-3. A homestead:

- (1) As defined and limited in chapter 43-31, is absolutely exempt; or
- (2) In the event such

Except as otherwise provided in this section, if a homestead, as defined and limited in chapter 43-31, is sold—under the provisions of pursuant to chapter 21-19, or is sold or by the owner voluntarily, the proceeds of—such_the sale, not exceeding the sum of—sixty one hundred thousand dollars,—is_are absolutely exempt, as provided for in § 43-45-1, for a period of one year after—the receipt of—such_the proceeds by the owner.

If the homestead is divided by court order pursuant to § 25-4-44 and a lien is imposed on the homestead for the benefit of the nonoccupant spouse pursuant to § 25-4-42 $_{7}$:

- (1) absence Absence from the homestead and or loss of title to the homestead pursuant to the court order, does not constitute forfeiture of the homestead exemption; and
- (2) <u>homestead Homestead protection—shall attach attaches</u> to the judicial lien for a period of one year.

Such exemption shall be limited to one hundred seventy thousand dollars for a homestead of For the homestead of a person seventy years of age or older or the unremarried surviving spouse of such person so long as it continues to possess the character of a homestead a decedent who was seventy years or older at death, the proceeds of a sale, up to one hundred seventy thousand dollars, are exempt for one year

- after receipt of the proceeds by the owner, so long as the homestead continues to possess
- 2 <u>the character of a homestead up to the date of the sale</u>.