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**HOUSE BILL 25-1156** 

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	A BILL FOR AN ACT
101	CONCERNING THE EXTENSION OF THE TWO-YEAR REDUCTION IN THE
102	VALUATION FOR ASSESSMENT OF QUALIFIED-SENIOR PRIMARY
103	RESIDENCE REAL PROPERTY RELATIVE TO THE VALUATION OF
104	ASSESSMENT FOR ALL OTHER RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY SO
105	THAT IT IS PERMANENT.

### **Bill Summary**

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://leg.colorado.gov.)

The bill extends an existing reduction in the valuation for assessment of qualified-senior primary residence real property (valuation reduction) that applies for only the 2025 and 2026 property tax years so that the valuation reduction is permanent. The bill also makes permanent the existing obligation of the state to annually reimburse local governments that levy property tax for the amount of property tax revenue lost due to the valuation reduction.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado: 1 2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-1-104.2, amend 3 (3)(s)(I) introductory portion, (3)(s)(I)(B), (3)(s)(I)(B.5), (3)(s)(I)(C), and 4 (3)(s)(I)(D); and add (3)(s)(II.5) as follows: 5 Residential real property - valuation for 39-1-104.2. 6 assessment - legislative declaration - definitions. (3) (s) (I) For 7 property tax years commencing on or after January 1, 2025, but before 8 January 1, 2027, if there are sufficient excess state revenues, the valuation 9 for assessment for qualified-senior primary residence real property, 10 including multi-family qualified-senior primary residence real property, 11 is: 12 (B) For the property tax year YEARS commencing on OR AFTER 13 January 1, 2026, if the state board of equalization determines that the 14 statewide actual value growth is less than or equal to five percent, for the 15 purpose of a levy imposed by a local governmental entity, 6.8 percent of 16 the amount equal to the actual value of the property minus either fifty 17 percent of the first two hundred thousand dollars of that actual value plus 18 the lesser of ten percent of the actual value of the property or seventy 19 thousand dollars as increased for inflation in the first year of each 20 subsequent reassessment cycle or the amount that causes the valuation for 21 assessment of the property to be one thousand dollars; 22 (B.5) For the property tax year YEARS commencing on OR AFTER 23 January 1, 2026, if the state board of equalization determines that the

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statewide actual value growth is greater than five percent, for the purpose of a levy imposed by a local governmental entity, 6.7 percent of the amount equal to the actual value of the property minus either fifty percent of the first two hundred thousand dollars of that actual value plus the lesser of ten percent of the actual value of the property or seventy thousand dollars as increased for inflation in the first year of each subsequent reassessment cycle or the amount that causes the valuation for assessment of the property to be one thousand dollars;

- (C) For the property tax years commencing on OR AFTER January 1, 2025, and January 1, 2026, if the state board of equalization determines that the statewide actual value growth is less than or equal to five percent, for the purpose of a levy imposed by a school district, 7.05 percent of the amount equal to the actual value of the property minus the lesser of fifty percent of the first two hundred thousand dollars of that actual value or the amount that causes the valuation for assessment of the property to be one thousand dollars; except that the valuation for assessment for the purpose of a levy imposed by a school district may be temporarily reduced for a property tax year as set forth in section 29-1-1702.5; and
- (D) For the property tax years commencing on OR AFTER January 1, 2025, and January 1, 2026, if the state board of equalization determines that the statewide actual value growth is greater than five percent, for the purpose of a levy imposed by a school district, 6.95 percent of the amount equal to the actual value of the property minus the lesser of fifty percent of the first two hundred thousand dollars of that actual value or the amount that causes the valuation for assessment of the property to be one thousand dollars; except that the valuation for assessment for the purpose of a levy imposed by a school district may be temporarily reduced for a

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1 property tax year as set forth in section 29-1-1702.5. 2 (II.5) FOR REASSESSMENT CYCLES COMMENCING ON OR AFTER 3 JANUARY 1, 2027, THE ADMINISTRATOR SHALL PUBLISH THE 4 INFLATION-INCREASED VALUE USED TO CALCULATE THE VALUATION FOR 5 ASSESSMENT PURSUANT TO SUBSECTIONS (3)(S)(I)(B) AND (3)(S)(I)(B.5) 6 OF THIS SECTION. 7 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-1-104.6, amend 8 (9)(a) introductory portion, (9)(c)(I)(A), and (9)(d) as follows: 9 39-1-104.6. Qualified-senior primary residence real property 10 - valuation for assessment - reimbursement to local governments for 11 reduced valuation - temporary mechanism for refunding excess state 12 revenues - legislative declaration - definitions. (9) Reporting and 13 reimbursement of property tax revenue reductions. (a) No later than 14 March 1, 2026, and no later than EACH March 1 2027 THEREAFTER, each 15 treasurer shall forward to the administrator a report on the properties in 16 the assessor's county that were classified as qualified-senior primary 17 residence real property for the previous property tax year. The 18 administrator shall cross-check the report as specified in subsection (9)(b) 19 of this section before correcting it, if necessary, and forwarding it to the 20 state treasurer to enable the state treasurer to issue a reimbursement 21 warrant to each treasurer in accordance with subsection (9)(c) of this 22 section. The report must include: 23 (c) (I) (A) No later than April 15, 2026, and no later than EACH 24 April 15 <del>2027</del> THEREAFTER, the state treasurer shall issue a warrant to 25 each treasurer for the amount needed to fully reimburse all local 26 governmental entities within the treasurer's county for the total property

tax revenue lost for the prior property tax year that are payable during the

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year in which the state treasurer issues the warrant. The reimbursement must be paid from the state general fund and is not subject to the statutory limitation on state general fund appropriations set forth in section 24-75-201.1.

(d) In accordance with subsection (9)(b) of this section, for any property tax year commencing on or after January 1, 2025, but before January 1, 2027, the state treasurer shall not reimburse a treasurer for total property tax revenue lost as a result of a classification of real property as qualified-senior primary residence real property that was erroneously granted in the treasurer's county. If, pursuant to subsection (9)(b) of this section, the administrator advises the state treasurer that the state treasurer has provided either too much or too little reimbursement to a treasurer for classifications of real property as qualified-senior primary residence real property granted in the treasurer's county for any prior property tax year commencing on or after January 1, 2025, but before January 1, 2027, the state treasurer shall adjust the reimbursement for the current property tax year as directed by the administrator in order to correct the error.

SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2026 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

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