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Good afternoon:

Please note the following amendment to Connecticut General Statute, Section 12-81(20) requiring submission of Veterans' Disability documentation only once, instead of annually.

The Governor signed a bill that drops the requirement that disabled veterans provide yearly proof of disability to their local assessor to qualify for a property tax exemption.

Under the new law concerning the property tax credit, a veteran will be able to submit the proper paperwork just once, unless the federal Veterans' Administration modifies the veteran's disability rating.

The Governor proposed Senate Bill 846 after the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs last year changed its computer system and notified the state's 22,000 disabled veterans it would stop mailing out annual forms that verified their disability ratings. The change would have required veterans to request an annual copy from the VA.

The legislation – Senate Bill 846, *An Act Concerning the Disabled Veterans' Property Tax Exemption* – takes effect immediately.

<http://www.cga.ct.gov/2009/TOB/S/2009SB-00846-R03-SB.htm>

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