

**An Ordinance of the Haines Borough Assembly Amending Haines Borough Code Section 3.70.040(F) Local Exemptions and Exclusions- Hardship Exemption.**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE HAINES BOROUGH ASSEMBLY:

**Section 1.** Classification. This ordinance is of a general and permanent nature and the adopted amendment shall become a part of the Haines Borough Code.

**Section 2.** Severability. If any provision of this ordinance or any application thereof to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, the remainder of this ordinance and the application to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

**Section 3.** Effective Date. This ordinance is effective upon adoption.

**Section 4.** Amendment of Section 3.70.040(F). Section 3.70.040(F) shall be amended as follows:

NOTE: **Bolded**/UNDERLINED ITEMS ARE TO BE ADDED  
~~STRIKETHROUGH~~ ITEMS ARE DELETED

**3.70.040 Local exemptions and exclusions.**

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F. *Hardship Exemption*. That portion of the property tax levied on the residence of a qualified senior citizen or disabled veteran who applies for the exemption described in HBC 3.70.030(A)(6) and meets the standards set forth in 3 AAC 135.040(b) and (c), which exceeds two percent of their gross household income.

1. In order to qualify for this exemption, the applicant must:
  - a. Have gross family income, from all sources in the prior year, which does not exceed 135 percent of the poverty guideline as established by the United States Department of Health and Human Services for a similar sized household in the state of Alaska for the year requested;
  - b. Be eligible for a permanent fund dividend under AS 43.23.005 for the same year or for the immediately preceding year;
  - c. Not own more than one parcel of real property in Alaska on the date of application, excluding an adjacent parcel that is necessary for the use of the primary residence; and
  - d. ~~Have net worth as of the date of application of less than \$250,000 including the first \$150,000 of the market value of the principal residence of the applicant.~~

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Adopted by a duly constituted quorum of the Haines Borough Assembly this \_\_\_\_ day of April, 2024.

ATTEST:

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Thomas C. Morphet, Mayor

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Alekka Fullerton, MMC, Borough Clerk

Date Introduced: 04/09/24  
Date of First Public Hearing: 04/23/24  
Date of Second Public Hearing: 05/14/24