



# The New Homestead Exemption: What Will It Cost, Who Pays and Can It be Stopped?

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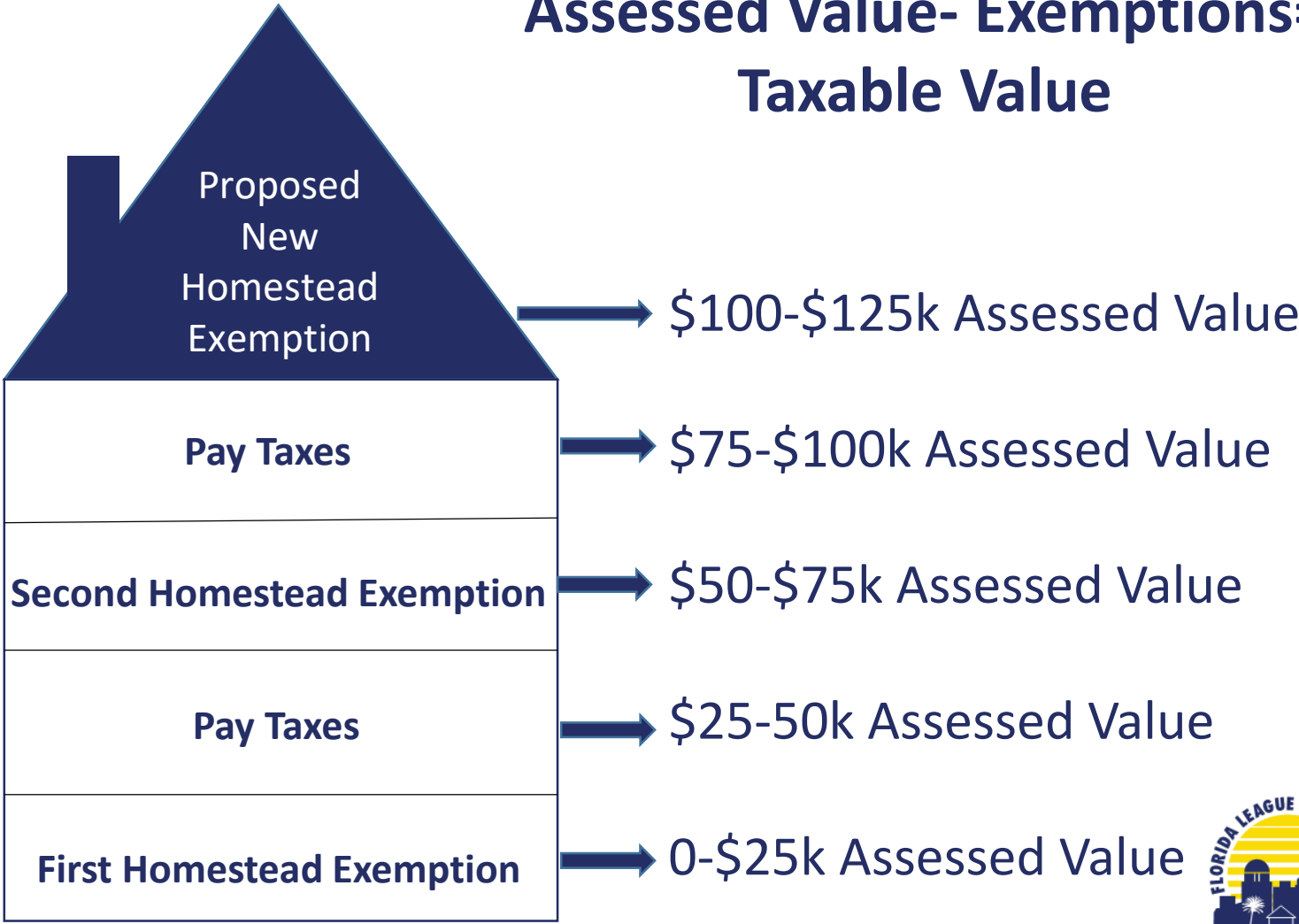
# Increased Homestead Exemption

## HJR 7105 (Ways & Means)

- Proposes a constitutional amendment that creates a new, expanded \$25,000 homestead exemption.
- This expanded homestead exemption applies to the assessed value greater than \$100,000 and up to \$125,000 for non-school property taxes.
- HJR 7105 was not subject to veto by the governor
- Will be Amendment 1 on the November 2018 general election ballot.



# Assessed Value- Exemptions= Taxable Value



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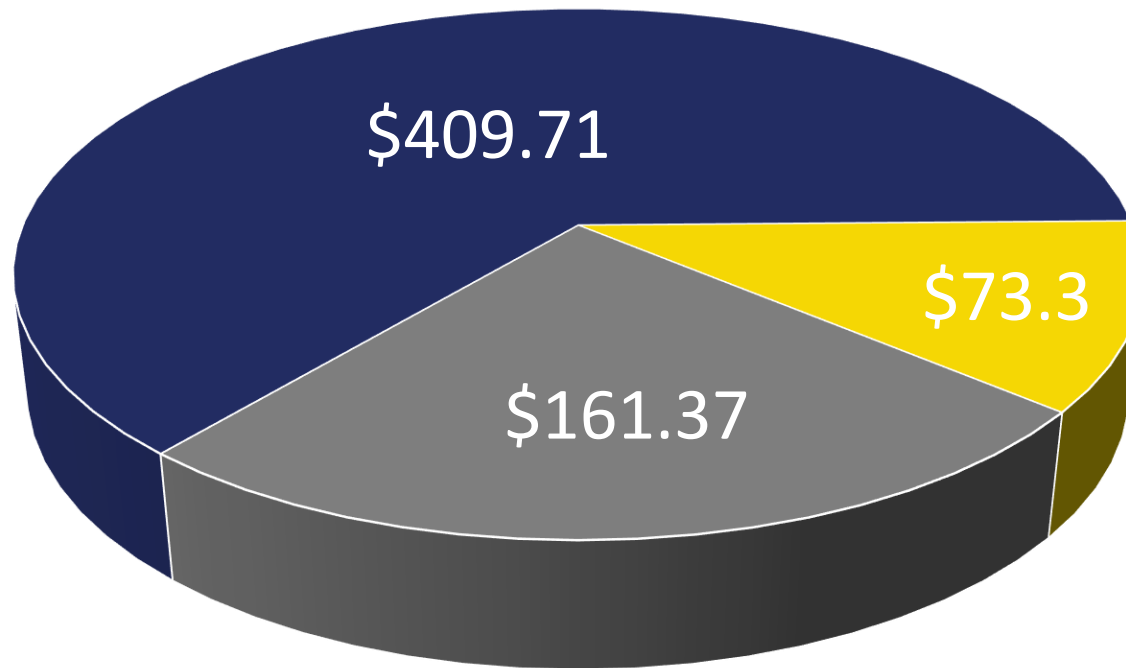
## HB 7107 (Ways & Means)

- Implements the additional homestead exemption, if approved by 60% of voters.
- Modifies the calculation for the first year of implementation—meaning it requires the value lost to the additional homestead be added back into the tax roll.
- This will artificially decrease the rolled-back rate and if a millage rate higher than the rolled-back rate is adopted it must be advertised as a tax increase and could require an extraordinary vote to approve.
- Directs the Legislature to appropriate funds to offset ad valorem tax revenue losses in fiscally constrained counties.



# Estimated Fiscal Impact 2019-20 FY

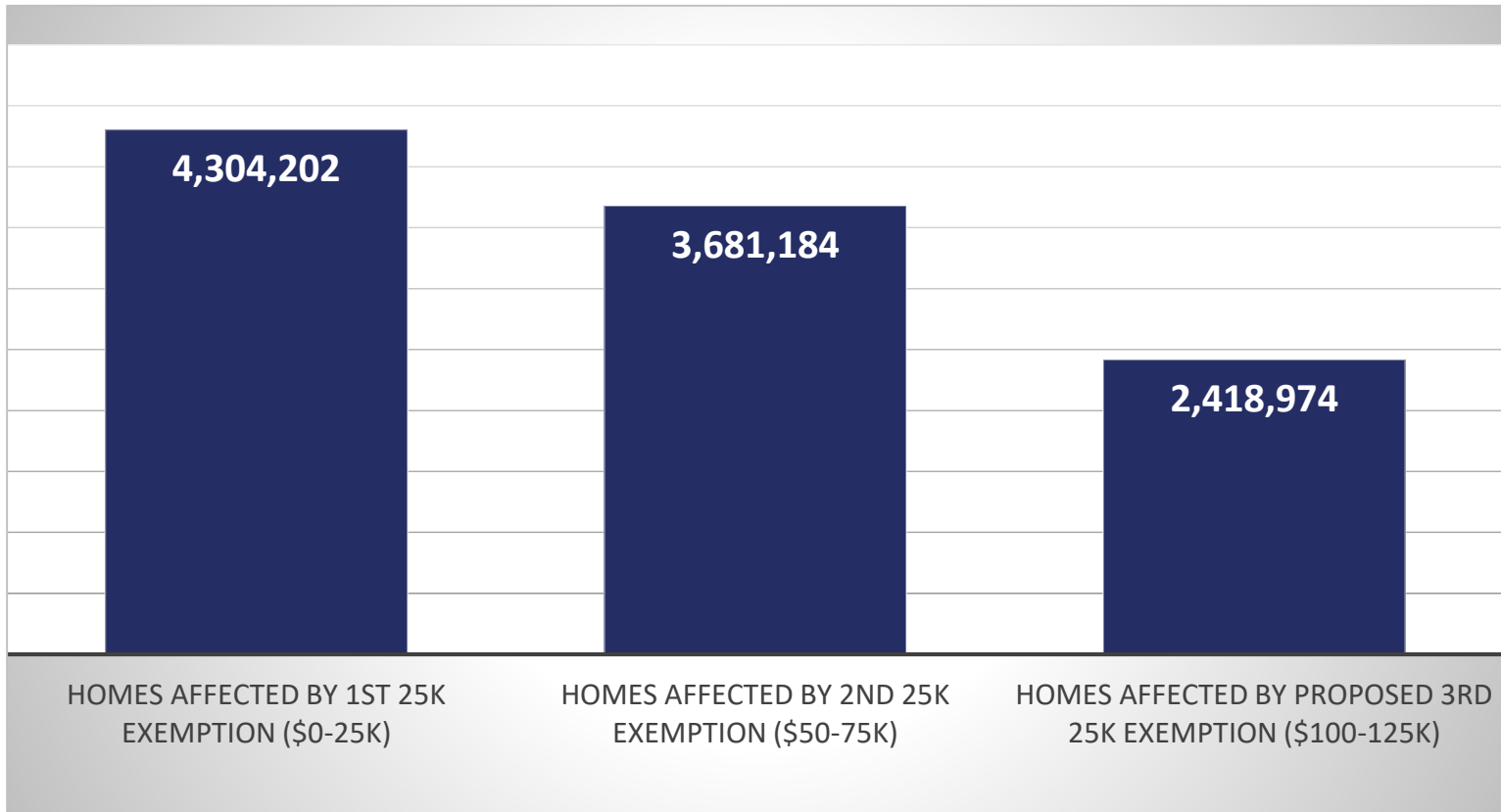
## Total Non-School Impact=\$644.8 million



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# Number of Homes Receiving Homestead Exemptions



BASED ON 2016 PROPERTY TAX ROLL DATA



# Questions?

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