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To whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter in response to Dustin Bruckner's denial for vehicle tax exemption. This tax exemption is very new as of 1 January 2026 and was communicated to Nebraska's Veteran population very poorly in my opinion.

Most Veterans are not aware of this exemption minus word of mouth, posted signs that the Scotts Bluff County Veteran Service Office provided Vehicle Registration, Radio, or the VSO/Vehicle Registration informing Veterans as they come to our offices.

Mr. Bruckner purchased a vehicle in Colorado which provides 60-day in-transit tags. Prior to the vehicle in-transits expiring he came to the administrative building to register his vehicle. He was unable to receive this exemption because the new law only allows exemption within a 30-day window prior to expiration.

I would like to ask the Board of Equalization to please assist this Veteran and grant his vehicle exemption. Dustin is a Post 911 Combat Veteran with two combat deployments and permanently receiving compensation at 100% rate for injuries in service. I would also like to ask that you please show lenience to Veterans as we move forward navigating this new benefit.

Thank you for your kind consideration.



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