

HOUSE BILL NO. 196

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT RAISING THE AGGREGATE VALUE PER DEBTOR IN EXECUTIONS OF JUDGMENT FOR CERTAIN CATEGORIES OF PERSONAL PROPERTY; AND AMENDING SECTION 25-13-609, MCA."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 25-13-609, MCA, is amended to read:

"25-13-609. Personal property exempt subject to value limitations. A judgment debtor is entitled to exemption from execution of the following:

(1) the judgment debtor's interest, not to exceed ~~\$4,500~~ \$9,000 in aggregate value, to the extent of a value not exceeding ~~\$600~~ \$1,200 in any item of property, in household furnishings and goods, appliances, jewelry, wearing apparel, books, firearms and other sporting goods, animals, feed, crops, and musical instruments;

(2) the judgment debtor's interest, not to exceed ~~\$2,500~~ \$5,000 in value, in one motor vehicle; ~~and~~

(3) the judgment debtor's interest, not to exceed ~~\$3,000~~ \$6,000 in aggregate value, in any implements, professional books, and tools; of the trade of the judgment debtor or a dependent of the judgment debtor; ~~and~~

(4) the judgment debtor's interest, not to exceed \$1,200, in any single item of property not specifically listed in this section."

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