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We owe it to our veterans to ensure they receive the care and support they deserve after their dedicated service to our country. After putting their lives on the line and sacrificing so much, it's essential that we provide them with the resources they need to thrive in civilian life. One crucial step in showing appreciation is excluding all military retirement pensions from state taxes.

By doing so, we can help alleviate some of veterans' financial burdens, allowing them to enjoy their hard-earned benefits without the worry that taxation will diminish their income. This measure would honor their service and encourage veterans to invest in their communities, whether through starting businesses, pursuing education, or participating in local activities.

Support for our veterans should go beyond mere words; it necessitates concrete actions that demonstrate our gratitude. Excluding military pensions from state taxes is a meaningful way to recognize the sacrifices made by these individuals and ensure they can lead fulfilling lives after their military careers. It's time we take a stand for those who have given so much for our freedom and well-being.

It is also a way to maintain an all-volunteer force by showing that veterans won't be forgotten, which encourages enlistment.

Thank You!