

BY: Budget and Taxation Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 756

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 3, strike “requiring” and substitute “authorizing”; in line 6, after “Inc.” insert “; providing for the construction of this Act; and generally relating to an optional property tax credit against the county property tax imposed on certain property owned by Chesapeake Wildlife Heritage, Inc.”; and in line 9, strike “(a)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 4, strike the brackets; in line 6, strike “; AND” and substitute a period; after line 6, insert:

“(b) The governing body of Talbot County or of a municipal corporation in Talbot County may grant, by law, a property tax credit under this section against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on [property that]:

(1) PROPERTY THAT is owned by the Chesapeake Audubon Society, Inc.[;] and

[(2)] is used solely for:

(i) the environmental education of the public; and

(ii) the maintenance of:

1. a natural area for public use; or

2. a sanctuary for wildlife[.]; AND”;

(Over)

in line 7, strike “(5)” and substitute “(2)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

After line 13, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act may not be construed as a finding or conclusion of the General Assembly regarding the merit of any claim for exemption from property tax under § 7-202 of the Tax - Property Article.”

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, in line 14, strike “2.” and substitute “3.”.