

BY: Budget and Taxation Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 197

(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, before "Property" insert "Worcester County -"; in the same line, strike "Exemption" and substitute "Credit"; strike beginning with "providing" in line 3 down through "Act" in line 4 and substitute "authorizing the governing body of Worcester County to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the county property tax imposed on property that is owned by a certain organization; authorizing Worcester County to provide, by law, for certain provisions relating to property tax credits granted by the county; and generally relating to property tax credits in Worcester County"; in line 5, strike "adding to" and substitute "repealing and reenacting, with amendments,"; and in line 7, strike "7-241" and substitute "9-325".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, strike beginning with "7-241." in line 13 down through the period in line 15 and substitute:

9-325.

(A) The governing body of Worcester County may grant, by law, a property tax credit under this section against the county property tax imposed on:

(1) property that is:

(i) owned by the Berlin Community Improvement Association, Incorporated, of Worcester County; and

(ii) used only for the nonprofit activities of the organization;

(2) property that is:

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- (i) owned by the Marlin Park Association, Incorporated; and
- (ii) used for nonprofit purposes;
- (3) property that is owned or leased by the Greater Ocean City Health Service Corporation; [and]
- (4) real property:
 - (i) owned by the Mayor and City Council of Ocean City;
 - (ii) leased to the Sinepuxent Pier and Improvement Company, Incorporated; and
 - (iii) known as the Ocean City Amusement and Fishing Pier; AND
- (5) PROPERTY THAT IS OWNED BY THE OCEAN CITY, MARYLAND CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

(B) THE GOVERNING BODY OF WORCESTER COUNTY MAY PROVIDE, BY LAW, FOR:

- (1) THE AMOUNT AND DURATION OF A PROPERTY TAX CREDIT UNDER THIS SECTION; AND
- (2) ANY OTHER PROVISION NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THIS SECTION.”;

and strike beginning with “and” in line 17 down through “2000” in line 18.