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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

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Property Tax Credit - Business Entities - State of Emergency

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to grant a certain property tax 4 5 credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on certain 6 property owned or leased by a business entity affected by a certain state of 7 emergency; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the 8 governing body of a county or municipal corporation to provide, by law, for certain 9 matters relating to the tax credit; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a tax credit for business entities affected by a state of 10 11 emergency.

- 12 BY adding to
- 13 Article Tax Property
- 14 Section 9–266
- 15 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 16 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2020 Supplement)
- 17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
- 18 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 19 Article Tax Property
- 20 **9–266.**
- 21 (A) THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE CITY OR THE
- 22 GOVERNING BODY OF A COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION MAY GRANT, BY LAW,
- 23 A PROPERTY TAX CREDIT UNDER THIS SECTION AGAINST THE COUNTY OR
- 24 MUNICIPAL CORPORATION PROPERTY TAX IMPOSED ON REAL OR PERSONAL
- 25 PROPERTY THAT IS OWNED OR LEASED BY A BUSINESS ENTITY AFFECTED BY A STATE

- 1 OF EMERGENCY DECLARED UNDER TITLE 14 OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY ARTICLE.
- 2 (B) THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE CITY OR THE
- 3 GOVERNING BODY OF A COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION MAY PROVIDE, BY
- 4 LAW, FOR:
- 5 (1) THE AMOUNT AND DURATION OF THE TAX CREDIT UNDER THIS
- 6 SECTION;
- 7 (2) ADDITIONAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR THE TAX CREDIT;
- 8 (3) REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES FOR THE APPLICATION AND
- 9 UNIFORM PROCESSING OF REQUESTS FOR THE TAX CREDIT; AND
- 10 (4) ANY OTHER PROVISION NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE TAX
- 11 CREDIT UNDER THIS SECTION.
- 12 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June
- 13 1, 2021, and shall be applicable to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2021.