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HB 505 Baltimore County- Property Tax-Credit for Seniors to Offset Property Tax Rate Increase February 11, 2020

Madam Chair, Mr. Vice Chairman, and Distinguished Members of Ways and Means Committee:

First let me say, It is good to be back among friends. I enjoyed my time on this Committee. Thank you for the opportunity to speak to you today.

For the record, I am Delegate Ric Metzgar from Legislative District 6 in Baltimore County.

This bill would authorize Baltimore County to grant, by law, a certain property tax credit against the county property tax imposed on a dwelling owned by an individual who is least a certain age; requiring the credit to equal a certain percentage of any increase in the property imposed on the dwelling attributable to a certain property tax rate; authorizing the governing body of Baltimore County to provide, by law, for certain matters relating to the credit; defining a certain term; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a property tax credit for senior citizen homeowners in Baltimore County. Maryland lost 16,438 residents between 2016 and 2017. I respectfully request a favorable report on House Bill 505. Thank you for your time and consideration.