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EMERGENCY BILL

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By: Chairman, Ways and Means Committee (Departmental - Assessments and Taxation)
Requested: November 8, 1995
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Assigned to: Ways and Means

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2   **Renters' Property Tax Credits**

3 FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that certain certifications be made at least
4   monthly; providing that payments of renters' property tax credits bemade on or
5   after July 1 of each year; requiring that certain payments be made in a check jointly
6   payable to a renter and the renter's landlord; making this Act an emergency
7   measure; and generally relating to the renters' property tax credit program.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9   Article - Tax - Property
10   Section 9-102(j)
11   Annotated Code of Maryland
12   (1994 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

13   SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
14 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

15   **Article - Tax - Property**

16 9-102.

17   (j) (1) The Department shall:

18   (i) process applications upon receipt; AND

19   (ii) certify to the Comptroller the property tax relief under this section
20 due each renter[; and

21   (iii) make the certifications required under item (ii) of this paragraph
22 no less frequently than each month.

23   (2) The Comptroller shall pay the amount to the renter upon receipt of the
24 certification from the Department].

25   (2) ON OR AFTER JULY 1 OF EACH YEAR, THE COMPTROLLER SHALL
26 PAY THE AMOUNTS CERTIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO EACH RENTER IN A CHECK

1 MADE JOINTLY PAYABLE TO THE RENTER AND THE RENTER'S CURRENT
2 LANDLORD.

3   SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency
4 measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, has
5 been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to
6 each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is
7 enacted.