

BY: Committee on Ways and Means

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 770

(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in lines 2, 5, 9, and 12, in each instance, strike "Washington" and substitute "Charles"; and strike line 16 in its entirety and substitute "Section 9-310 and 9-314(a)(1)(xi) and (xii)".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, after line 3, insert:

"9-310.

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

(1) real property that is:

(i) owned by a nonprofit community or civic improvement association or corporation; and

(ii) used only for a community, civic, educational, recreational, or library purpose, if:

1. unless the compensation is used only to improve or maintain the property, the use is not contingent on the payment of compensation for admission; and

2. unless the compensation is used only to improve or maintain the property, failure to pay compensation is not a reason to deny admission to or use of the property;

(2) real property that is owned by the Greater Waldorf Jaycees, Incorporated;

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(3) real property that is owned by the Southern Maryland Youth Organization, Incorporated;

(4) agricultural land, including any farm improvement, that is located in an agricultural preservation district;

(5) a building other than a tobacco barn that is:

(i) located on land that qualifies for an agricultural use assessment; and

(ii) used in connection with an activity that is recognized by the Department as an approved agricultural activity; [and]

(6) real property that is owned by Habitat for Humanity or any charitable organization holding that property with the intention of relinquishing ownership in the immediate future for charitable purposes; AND

(7) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, REAL PROPERTY:

(I) THAT IS LOCATED IN A RURAL LEGACY AREA AS DEFINED IN § 5-9A-02 OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES ARTICLE; AND

(II) FOR WHICH THE PROPERTY OWNER HAS SOLD THE DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS UNDER THE RURAL LEGACY PROGRAM ESTABLISHED UNDER TITLE 5, SUBTITLE 9A OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES ARTICLE.

(B) THE GOVERNING BODY OF CHARLES COUNTY MAY PROVIDE FOR THE CONDITIONS OF ELIGIBILITY AND METHOD OF APPLICATION FOR AND THE AMOUNT OF THE PROPERTY TAX CREDIT AUTHORIZED UNDER SUBSECTION (A)(7) OF THIS SECTION.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On pages 2 and 3, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 32 on page 2 through line 15 on page 3.