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By: **Senator Baker**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **~~Kent County~~ Property Tax Credit - Businesses That Create New Jobs**

3 FOR the purpose of altering, for the purpose of qualifying for a certain property tax
4 credit in ~~Kent County~~ certain counties, the number of individuals employed by
5 certain businesses in certain new permanent full-time positions; and generally
6 relating to a property tax credit for businesses that create new jobs in ~~Kent~~
7 County certain counties.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
9 Article - Tax - Property
10 Section 9-230(b)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1994 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
14 Article - Tax - Property
15 Section 9-230(c)
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (1994 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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

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Article - Tax - Property

2 9-230.

3 (b) (1) The Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body
4 of a county or of a municipal corporation may grant, by law, a property tax credit
5 against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on real property
6 owned or leased by a business entity that meets the requirements specified under
7 subsection (c)(1) and (2) of this section and on personal property owned by that
8 business entity that meets the requirements specified under subsection (d) of this
9 section.

10 (2) If a property tax credit is granted under paragraph (1) of this
11 subsection, a business entity that meets the requirements specified under subsection
12 (c)(3) of this section may claim a State tax credit against the individual or corporate
13 income tax, insurance premiums tax, financial institution franchise tax, or public
14 service company franchise tax as provided under subsection (f) of this section.

15 (c) (1) To qualify for a tax credit under this section, a business entity shall:

16 (i) construct or expand by at least 5,000 square feet the premises
17 on which it conducts its business, through purchasing or constructing new premises
18 or by leasing new premises; and

19 (ii) 1. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN ITEM 2 OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH,
20 employ at least 25 individuals in new permanent full-time positions in the new or
21 expanded premises; OR

22 2. IN KENT COUNTY COUNTIES WITH POPULATIONS UNDER
23 30,000, EMPLOY AT LEAST 10 INDIVIDUALS IN NEW PERMANENT FULL-TIME
24 POSITIONS IN THE NEW OR EXPANDED PREMISES.

25 (2) A tax credit may not be granted under this section if:

26 (i) the business entity has moved its operations from one political
27 subdivision in the State to another;

28 (ii) the new or expanded premises has otherwise been granted a tax
29 credit or exemption under this article for the taxable year; or

30 (iii) the business entity has been certified for a tax credit under
31 Article 83A, § 5-1102 of the Code.

32 (3) In addition to the requirements under paragraphs (1) and (2) of this
33 subsection, to qualify for a tax credit under this section, the new or expanded
34 premises must be located in a priority funding area as designated in Title 5, Subtitle
35 7B of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

36 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
37 July 1, 1999.

