

BY: Committee on Ways and Means

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1015

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, after “Ramirez” insert “, McHale, Leopold, Bates”; and in the same line, strike “and Trueschler” and substitute “Trueschler, Bartlett, Boschert, Bozman, Cardin, C. Davis, Elmore, Gilleland, Goodwin, Gordon, Healey, Heller, Hixson, Kaiser, King, Marriott, Myers, Patterson, and Ross”.

On page 1, in line 2, after “Computation” insert “and Local Supplement”; strike beginning with “altering” in line 3 down through “Act” in line 5 and substitute “altering the definition of “total real property tax” so as to alter the application of a certain limitation on the assessed value of a dwelling used for calculating a certain homeowners’ property tax credit; specifying certain additional eligibility criteria that the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county may provide by law for purposes of a local supplement to a certain homeowners’ property tax credit; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county to alter a certain limitation on a homeowner’s net worth for eligibility for the credit for purposes of a local supplement; providing for the application of this Act”; and in line 9, strike “(g)” and substitute “9-215”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in line 18, after the first “of” insert “:

(I) \$150,000; OR

(II)”;

strike beginning with “or” in line 18 down through “then” in line 19; in line 19, strike “any” and substitute “THE AMOUNT OF ANY ASSESSMENT ON WHICH A”; and in the same line, after “credit” insert “IS”.

(Over)

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On pages 1 and 2, strike the lines beginning with line 21 on page 1 through line 4 on page 2 and substitute:

“9-215.

(a) The Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county may grant, by law, a local supplement to the Homeowners Property Tax Credit Program provided under § 9-104 of this title.

(b) The county or Baltimore City may not obtain reimbursement under § 9-104(q) of this title for the amount of the local supplement authorized under this section.

(c) The county shall notify the Department of the enactment of the local supplement and any change in the local supplement in accordance with any guidelines specified by the Department.

(d) (1) The Department is responsible for the administrative duties that relate to the application and determination of eligibility for a property tax credit under this section.

(2) The county shall reimburse the Department for the reasonable cost of administering the Tax Credit Program under this section.

(e) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, the local supplement authorized in accordance with subsection (a) of this section shall be subject to the provisions of the State Homeowners Property Tax Credit Program provided under § 9-104 of this title.

(2) The Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county:

(i) may alter, by law, the following provisions for purposes of a local supplement granted under this section:

1. the limitation on the assessed value of a dwelling taken into account in determining total real property tax under § 9-104(a)(13) of this title; [and]

2. the percentages and combined income levels specified under §

9-104(g) of this title; and

3. THE LIMITATION ON COMBINED NET WORTH OF THE HOMEOWNER UNDER § 9-104(I) OF THIS TITLE; AND

(ii) may provide, by law, for limitations on eligibility for a local supplement granted under this section in addition to the requirements for eligibility under § 9-104 of this title.

(3) THE ADDITIONAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA PROVIDED UNDER PARAGRAPH (2)(II) OF THIS SUBSECTION MAY INCLUDE:

(I) CRITERIA LIMITING ELIGIBILITY FOR A LOCAL SUPPLEMENT GRANTED UNDER THIS SECTION TO HOMEOWNERS:

1. WHO HAVE REACHED A CERTAIN AGE;

2. WHO HAVE RESIDED IN THEIR DWELLINGS FOR MORE THAN A CERTAIN NUMBER OF YEARS; OR

3. WHOSE ASSESSMENTS HAVE INCREASED MORE THAN A CERTAIN PERCENTAGE OVER A CERTAIN PERIOD OF TIME;

(II) ANY COMBINATION OF THE CRITERIA SPECIFIED IN ITEM (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH; AND

(III) ANY ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR ELIGIBILITY THAT THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE CITY OR THE GOVERNING BODY OF A COUNTY DETERMINE TO BE NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE.”.