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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Property Tax - Homeowners' Property Tax Credit - Computation**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the maximum assessed value of a dwelling on which a  
4 certain homeowners' property tax credit is calculated; altering the computation  
5 of the credit; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to  
6 the homeowners' property tax credit.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
8 Article - Tax - Property  
9 Section 9-104(a)(13) and (g)  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

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

14 **Article - Tax - Property**

15 9-104.

16 (a) (13) "Total real property tax" means the product of the sum of all property  
17 tax rates on real property, including special district tax rates, for the taxable year on  
18 a dwelling, multiplied by the lesser of the assessed value of the dwelling or  
19 [\$150,000] \$175,000; and then reduced by any property tax credit granted under §  
20 9-105 of this subtitle.

21 (g) (1) Except as provided in subsection (g-1) of this section, the property  
22 tax credit under this section is the total real property tax of a dwelling, less the  
23 percentage of the combined income of the homeowner that is described in paragraph  
24 (2) of this subsection.

25 (2) The percentage is:

26 (i) 0% of the 1st \$4,000 of combined income;

- 1                   (ii)       [1%] 0% of the 2nd \$4,000 of combined income;
- 2                   (iii)      [4.5%] 3.5% of the 3rd \$4,000 of combined income;
- 3                   (iv)      6.5% of the 4th \$4,000 of combined income; and
- 4                   (v)      9% of the combined income over \$16,000.

5       SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take  
6 effect June 1, 2005, and shall be applicable to all taxable years beginning after June  
7 30, 2005.