BY: Committee on Ways and Means

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1065

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

In line 2, strike "- Homestead Tax Credit Percentage" and substitute "<u>Credit</u>"; strike beginning with "altering" in line 3 down through "Act;" in line 5 and substitute "<u>authorizing the governing body of Washington County to grant, by law, a credit for a certain taxable year against the county property tax imposed on certain dwellings; authorizing the governing body of Washington County to provide, by law, for the maximum amount of assessed value of a dwelling as to which the property tax credit shall apply and any other provision necessary to administer the property tax credit;"; in line 5, strike "the homestead" and substitute "<u>a</u>"; in line 6, strike "percentage for the county property tax"; and strike in their entirety lines 7 through 11, inclusive.</u>

AMENDMENT NO. 2

In line 13, strike "the Laws of Maryland read as follows"; strike in their entirety lines 14 through 24, inclusive, and substitute:

- "(a) In this section, "dwelling" has the meaning stated in § 9-105 of the Tax Property Article.
- (b) For the taxable year that begins July 1, 2006, the governing body of Washington County may grant, by law, a credit against the county property tax imposed on a dwelling as provided in this section.
- (c) If the governing body of Washington County grants the property tax credit authorized under this section, the credit shall equal the county property tax imposed on the lesser of:
 - (1) the assessed value of the dwelling; or

- (2) the amount that the governing body of Washington County sets by law.
- (d) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection:
- (i) the credits allowed under §§ 9-104 and 9-105 of the Tax Property Article shall be disregarded for purposes of calculating the credit authorized under this section; and
- (ii) the credit authorized under this section shall be disregarded for purposes of calculating the credits allowed under §§ 9-104 and 9-105 of the Tax Property Article.
- (2) The sum of the credit allowed under this section and the amount of the credit allowed with respect to the county property tax under § 9-104 or § 9-105 of the Tax Property Article may not exceed the total county property tax otherwise imposed on the dwelling.
 - (e) The governing body of Washington County may provide, by law, for:
- (1) the maximum amount of assessed value of a dwelling as to which the credit authorized under this section shall apply; and
- (2) any other provision necessary to administer the credit authorized under this section.";

in line 26, strike "October" and substitute "June"; and strike beginning with ", and" in line 26 down through "2007" in line 27.