HOUSE BILL 791

By: **Delegates Stocksdale, Barkley, Bates, DeBoy, Eckardt, Elliott, McKee, and Myers**
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Assigned to: Ways and Means

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Homestead Property Tax Credit – Applications – Use of Social Security**
3 **Numbers**

4 FOR the purpose of prohibiting the State Department of Assessments and Taxation
5   from requiring homeowner Social Security numbers on applications for
6   qualification for the homestead property tax credit; and generally relating to
7   homestead property tax credits.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
9   Article – Tax – Property
10   Section 9–105(d)(6)(i)
11   Annotated Code of Maryland
12   (2007 Replacement Volume)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
14   Article – Tax – Property
15   Section 9–105(d)(6)(ii)
16   Annotated Code of Maryland
17   (2007 Replacement Volume)

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

20 **Article – Tax – Property**

21 9–105.

22   (d)   (6)   (i)   To qualify for the credit under this section, a homeowner
23 shall submit an application for the credit to the Department as provided in this
24 paragraph.

1   (ii)   **1.**   The application shall:

2   **[1.] A.**   be made on the form that the Department
3   provides;

4   **[2.] B.**   provide the information required by the form;
5   and

6   **[3.] C.**   include a statement by the homeowner under
7   oath that the facts stated in the application are true, correct, and complete.

8   **2.   THE APPLICATION MAY NOT REQUIRE THE**
9   **HOMEOWNER TO PROVIDE THE SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER OF THE**
10   **HOMEOWNER.**

11   SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
12   June 1, 2008.