# **SENATE BILL 947**

# By: Senator Edwards

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

#### 1 AN ACT concerning

## 2 Allegany County – Property Tax Credit – WMHS Braddock Hospital Facility

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the governing body of Allegany County or of a 4 municipal corporation in Allegany County to grant, by law, a property tax credit  $\mathbf{5}$ against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on certain 6 property; providing for a certain limitation on the tax credit; authorizing the  $\overline{7}$ governing body of Allegany County or of a municipal corporation in Allegany 8 County to provide, by law, for certain provisions relating to the property tax 9 credit; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to property tax credits for certain property in Allegany County. 10

#### 11 BY adding to

- 12 Article Tax Property
- 13 Section 9–302(l)
- 14 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 15 (2007 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)
- 16 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 17 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
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## Article – Tax – Property

19 9–302.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law. <u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill. <u>Strike out</u> indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



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1 (L) (1) THE GOVERNING BODY OF ALLEGANY COUNTY OR OF A  $\mathbf{2}$ MUNICIPAL CORPORATION IN ALLEGANY COUNTY MAY GRANT, BY LAW, A 3 PROPERTY TAX CREDIT AGAINST THE COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION 4 PROPERTY TAX IMPOSED ON ANY PROPERTY THAT: IS OWNED BY WESTERN MARYLAND HEALTH SYSTEM  $\mathbf{5}$ **(I)** 6 **CORPORATION;**  $\mathbf{7}$ (II) WAS FORMERLY DESIGNATED AND OPERATED AS 8 WESTERN MARYLAND HEALTH SYSTEM BRADDOCK HOSPITAL; AND 9 (III) IS VACANT AS A RESULT OF HOSPITAL CONSOLIDATION 10 AND RELOCATION APPROVED BY THE MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION. 11 (2) TO ENCOURAGE THE LOCATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF 12BUSINESS OPERATIONS AND EXPANSION OF THE EMPLOYMENT BASE IN ALLEGANY COUNTY, THE GOVERNING BODY OF ALLEGANY COUNTY OR OF A 13 MUNICIPAL CORPORATION IN ALLEGANY COUNTY MAY GRANT, BY LAW, A 14PROPERTY TAX CREDIT AGAINST THE COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION 1516 PROPERTY TAX IMPOSED ON ANY PROPERTY THAT: WAS FORMERLY OWNED BY WESTERN MARYLAND 17**(I)** 18 **HEALTH SYSTEM CORPORATION;** 19(II) WAS FORMERLY DESIGNATED AND OPERATED AS WESTERN MARYLAND HEALTH SYSTEM BRADDOCK HOSPITAL; 2021(III) WAS FORMERLY VACANT AS A RESULT OF HOSPITAL 22CONSOLIDATION AND RELOCATION APPROVED BY THE MARYLAND HEALTH 23CARE COMMISSION: AND 24(IV) IS OWNED, MANAGED, OR OPERATED BY AN 25ORGANIZATION DESCRIBED IN § 501(C)(3) OR § 501(C)(6) OF THE INTERNAL **REVENUE CODE.** 2627(3) IN AUTHORIZING A CREDIT UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OR (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL 28**CORPORATION MAY PROVIDE, BY LAW, FOR:** 2930 **(I)** THE AMOUNT OF THE CREDIT; AND 31**(II)** ANY OTHER PROVISION NECESSARY TO ADMINISTER 32THE CREDIT.

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## 1 (4) A TAX CREDIT GRANTED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MAY NOT 2 BE GRANTED FOR MORE THAN 10 YEARS.

3 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 4 June 1, 2010, and shall be applicable to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 5 2010.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.