

HOUSE BILL 235

Q1
HB 789/12 – W&M

3lr1221

By: **Delegates McComas, Afzali, Cluster, Dwyer, Fisher, Frank, George, Glass, Impallaria, Jacobs, Kach, Krebs, McConkey, McDermott, McDonough, Norman, Schulz, Sophocleus, Stocksedale, Szeliga, Vitale, and Wood**

Introduced and read first time: January 23, 2013

Assigned to: Ways and Means

Committee Report: Favorable with amendments

House action: Adopted

Read second time: March 18, 2013

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Property Tax – ~~Assessment Worksheets – Internet Access~~ Valuation of**
3 **Residential Real Property – Database**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to
5 maintain a database, available to the public on the Department's Web site, ~~of~~
6 ~~assessment worksheets and cards that relate~~ relates to the valuation of certain
7 real property in the State and includes certain information; providing that
8 ~~assessment worksheets and cards may not include certain statements;~~ and
9 generally relating to a database, accessible to the public, of real property
10 ~~assessment worksheets and cards~~ valuation information.

11 BY adding to
12 Article – Tax – Property
13 Section 14–201~~(e)~~ (b)(4)
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2012 Replacement Volume)

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

18 **Article – Tax – Property**

19 14–201.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 ~~(E) (1) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE~~
 2 ~~DEPARTMENT SHALL MAINTAIN A DATABASE, AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC ON~~
 3 ~~THE DEPARTMENT'S WEB SITE AND SEARCHABLE BY INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY,~~
 4 ~~OF ASSESSMENT WORKSHEETS AND CARDS THAT RELATE TO THE VALUATION OF~~
 5 ~~REAL PROPERTY IN THE STATE.~~

6 ~~(2) THE ASSESSMENT WORKSHEETS AND CARDS MADE~~
 7 ~~ACCESSIBLE UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION MAY NOT INCLUDE~~
 8 ~~INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENTS.~~

9 **(B) (4) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL MAINTAIN A DATABASE, AVAILABLE**
 10 **TO THE PUBLIC ON THE DEPARTMENT'S WEB SITE AND SEARCHABLE BY**
 11 **INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY, THAT RELATES TO THE VALUATION OF SINGLE-FAMILY**
 12 **RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY IN THE STATE AND INCLUDES FOR EACH**
 13 **PROPERTY:**

14 **(I) THE SQUARE FOOTAGE OF THE ENCLOSED**
 15 **IMPROVEMENTS ABOVE GROUND;**

16 **(II) THE SQUARE FOOTAGE OF THE COMPLETED**
 17 **IMPROVEMENTS BELOW GROUND;**

18 **(III) THE NUMBER OF BATHROOMS;**

19 **(IV) THE NUMBER OF GARAGES; AND**

20 **(V) THE DATE OF THE INITIAL ASSESSMENT OF THE MOST**
 21 **RECENTLY COMPLETED IMPROVEMENTS ASSESSED AFTER JULY 1, 2000 UNDER**
 22 **§ 8-104(C)(1)(III) OF THIS ARTICLE.**

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
 24 October 1, 2013.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.