SENATE BILL 387

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By: The President (By Request – Administration) and Senators Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Kelley, Klausmeier, Mathias, Muse, Norman, Ready, Reilly, Rosapepe, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

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Income Tax Exemption Amount – Elderly Individuals

- 3 FOR the purpose of altering the amount of a certain exemption allowed under the State
- a income tax for certain individuals for certain taxable years; and generally relating
 to a certain exception under the State income tax.
- 6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 7 Article Tax General
- 8 Section 10–211(a)
- 9 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 10 (2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

- 13 Article Tax General
- 14 10-211.

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, whether or not a federal
return is filed, to determine Maryland taxable income, an individual other than a fiduciary
may deduct as an exemption:

(1) \$3,200 for each exemption that the individual may deduct in the taxable
year to determine federal taxable income under § 151 of the Internal Revenue Code;

20 (2) an additional \$3,200 for each dependent, as defined in § 152 of the 21 Internal Revenue Code, who is at least 65 years old on the last day of the taxable year;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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1 (3) (I) FOR A TAXABLE YEAR BEGINNING BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2 2017, an additional \$1,000 if the individual, on the last day of the taxable year, is at least 3 65 years old; [and]

4 (II) FOR A TAXABLE YEAR BEGINNING AFTER DECEMBER 31, 5 2016, BUT BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2018, AN ADDITIONAL \$2,000 IF THE INDIVIDUAL IS 6 AT LEAST 65 YEARS OLD ON THE LAST DAY OF THE TAXABLE YEAR;

(III) FOR A TAXABLE YEAR BEGINNING AFTER DECEMBER 31,
2017, BUT BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2019, AN ADDITIONAL \$3,000 IF THE INDIVIDUAL IS
AT LEAST 65 YEARS OLD ON THE LAST DAY OF THE TAXABLE YEAR;

(IV) FOR A TAXABLE YEAR BEGINNING AFTER DECEMBER 31,
 2018, BUT BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2020, AN ADDITIONAL \$4,000 IF THE INDIVIDUAL IS
 AT LEAST 65 YEARS OLD ON THE LAST DAY OF THE TAXABLE YEAR; AND

(V) FOR A TAXABLE YEAR BEGINNING AFTER DECEMBER 31,
 2019, AN ADDITIONAL \$5,000 IF THE INDIVIDUAL IS AT LEAST 65 YEARS OLD ON THE
 LAST DAY OF THE TAXABLE YEAR; AND

16 (4) an additional \$1,000 if the individual, on the last day of the taxable 17 year, is a blind individual, as described in § 10–208(c) of this subtitle.

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July1, 2016.