HB0161/775066/1

BY: Committee on Ways and Means

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 161

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 4, after the first "of" insert "requiring the collector in Baltimore City to withhold from tax sale certain places of worship if the taxes on the property consist only of a lien for unpaid charges for water and sewer service;"; in lines 7 and 8, strike "places of worship" and substitute "real property owned by religious groups or organizations"; in line 12, strike ", subject to a certain exception"; strike beginning with "prohibiting" in line 13 down through "circumstances;" in line 14; and in line 21, after "Section" insert "14–811(b) and".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, after line 3, insert:

"<u>14–811.</u>

- (b) (1) The collector may withhold from sale any residential property, when the total taxes on the property, including interest and penalties, amount to less than \$750.
- (2) <u>In Baltimore City, the collector shall withhold from sale owner-occupied residential property, when the total taxes on the property, including interest and penalties, amount to less than \$750.</u>
- (3) In Baltimore City, the collector shall withhold from sale residential property OR PROPERTY THAT IS EXEMPT FROM TAXATION UNDER § 7–204(1) OR (2) OF THIS ARTICLE, if the taxes on the property consist only of a lien for unpaid charges for water and sewer service."

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AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, in lines 10 and 11 and 16, in each instance, strike "USED EXCLUSIVELY AS A PLACE OF WORSHIP" and substitute "THAT IS EXEMPT FROM TAXATION UNDER § 7–204(1) OR (2) OF THIS ARTICLE".

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, strike beginning with "(1)" in line 21 down through "THIS" in line 22 and substitute "THIS"; and strike in their entirety lines 24 through 28, inclusive.