## **HOUSE BILL 103**

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

## 2 Property Tax Credit for Disabled Veterans – Established

- FOR the purpose of requiring the governing body of a county or of a municipal corporation to grant, by law, a tax credit against the property tax imposed on the dwelling house of certain disabled veterans; establishing a tax credit against the State property tax on the dwelling house of certain disabled veterans; and generally relating to a property tax credit for the dwelling house of a disabled veteran.
- 8 BY adding to
- 9 Article Tax Property
- 10 Section 9–112
- 11 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 12 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)
- 13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
- 14 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 15 Article Tax Property
- 16 **9–112.**
- 17 (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS
- 18 INDICATED.
- 19 (2) (I) "DISABLED VETERAN" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO:
- 20 1. IS HONORABLY DISCHARGED OR RELEASED UNDER
- 21 HONORABLE CIRCUMSTANCES FROM ACTIVE MILITARY, NAVAL, OR AIR SERVICE AS
- 22 DEFINED IN 38 U.S.C. § 101; AND

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



- 1 2. HAS BEEN DECLARED BY THE VETERANS'
- 2 ADMINISTRATION TO HAVE A PERMANENT SERVICE-CONNECTED DISABILITY THAT
- 3 RESULTS FROM BLINDNESS OR OTHER DISABLING CAUSE THAT:
- 4 A. IS REASONABLY CERTAIN TO CONTINUE FOR THE LIFE
- 5 OF THE VETERAN; AND
- B. WAS NOT CAUSED OR INCURRED BY MISCONDUCT OF
- 7 THE VETERAN.
- 8 (II) "DISABLED VETERAN" INCLUDES AN INDIVIDUAL WHO
- 9 QUALIFIES POSTHUMOUSLY FOR A SERVICE-CONNECTED DISABILITY.
- 10 (3) (I) "DWELLING HOUSE" MEANS REAL PROPERTY THAT IS:
- 11 THE LEGAL RESIDENCE OF A DISABLED VETERAN;
- 12 **AND**
- 2. OCCUPIED BY NOT MORE THAN TWO FAMILIES.
- 14 (II) "DWELLING HOUSE" INCLUDES THE LOT OR CURTILAGE
- 15 AND STRUCTURES NECESSARY TO USE THE REAL PROPERTY AS A RESIDENCE.
- 16 (B) (1) THE GOVERNING BODY OF A COUNTY OR OF A MUNICIPAL
- 17 CORPORATION SHALL GRANT A PROPERTY TAX CREDIT UNDER THIS SECTION
- 18 AGAINST THE COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION PROPERTY TAX THAT IS
- 19 IMPOSED ON THE DWELLING HOUSE OF A DISABLED VETERAN.
- 20 (2) IN ADDITION TO THE PROPERTY TAX CREDIT PROVIDED UNDER
- 21 PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THERE IS A CREDIT AGAINST THE STATE
- 22 PROPERTY TAX THAT IS IMPOSED ON THE DWELLING HOUSE OF A DISABLED
- 23 VETERAN.
- 24 (3) THE PROPERTY TAX CREDITS REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPHS (1)
- 25 AND (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL EQUAL A PERCENTAGE OF THE AMOUNT OF
- 26 PROPERTY TAX IMPOSED ON THE DWELLING HOUSE THAT IS EQUAL TO THE
- 27 PERCENTAGE OF THE DISABLED VETERAN'S SERVICE-CONNECTED DISABILITY
- 28 RATING.
- 29 (C) A DISABLED VETERAN SHALL APPLY FOR THE PROPERTY TAX CREDITS
- 30 UNDER THIS SECTION BY PROVIDING TO THE DEPARTMENT:

- 1 (1) A COPY OF THE DISABLED VETERAN'S DISCHARGE CERTIFICATE 2 FROM ACTIVE MILITARY, NAVAL, OR AIR SERVICE; AND
- 3 (2) ON THE FORM PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT, A CERTIFICATION OF THE DISABLED VETERAN'S DISABILITY FROM THE VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION.
- 5 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 6 1, 2022, and shall be applicable to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2022.