## **HOUSE BILL 538**

CF SB 380 By: Delegate Love Delegates Love and Pena-Melnyk Introduced and read first time: February 1, 2023 Assigned to: Ways and Means Committee Report: Favorable with amendments House action: Adopted Read second time: March 1, 2023 CHAPTER AN ACT concerning Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Water Affordability Assistance FOR the purpose of allowing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for certain water affordability assistance received by an individual during the taxable year and provided by the federal government, the State, or a local government; and generally relating to a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for water affordability assistance. BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments, Article – Tax – General Section 10–207(a) Annotated Code of Maryland (2022 Replacement Volume) BY adding to Article - Tax - General Section 10–207(00) Annotated Code of Maryland (2022 Replacement Volume)

## Article - Tax - General

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

## EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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



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- 1 10-207.
- 2 (a) To the extent included in federal adjusted gross income, the amounts under
- 3 this section are subtracted from the federal adjusted gross income of a resident to determine
- 4 Maryland adjusted gross income.
- 5 (OO) (1) THE SUBTRACTION UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION
- 6 INCLUDES THE AMOUNT OF WATER AFFORDABILITY ASSISTANCE, INCLUDING
- 7 WATER BILL ARREARAGE FORGIVENESS, RECEIVED BY AN INDIVIDUAL DURING THE
- 8 TAXABLE YEAR AND PROVIDED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, THE STATE, OR A
- 9 LOCAL GOVERNMENT.
- 10 (2) ON REQUEST, A UNIT OF STATE GOVERNMENT OR A LOCAL
- 11 GOVERNMENT THAT ADMINISTERS A WATER AFFORDABILITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
- 12 FOR EACH YEAR THAT A UNIT OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT ADMINISTERS A
- 13 WATER AFFORDABILITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, THE UNIT SHALL PROVIDE TO THE
- 14 COMPTROLLER QUARTERLY, WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THE-REQUEST AND
- 15 IN THE MANNER REQUESTED BY THE COMPTROLLER, THE FOLLOWING
- 16 **INFORMATION:**
- 17 (I) THE NAMES OF WATER AFFORDABILITY ASSISTANCE
- 18 PROGRAMS ADMINISTERED BY THE UNIT OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT;
- 19 (II) A LIST OF RECIPIENTS OF WATER AFFORDABILITY
- 20 ASSISTANCE, INCLUDING THE NAME, ADDRESS, AND TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
- 21 OF EACH RECIPIENT:
- 22 (III) THE AMOUNT OF WATER AFFORDABILITY ASSISTANCE
- 23 PROVIDED TO THE INDIVIDUAL;
- 24 (IV) THE DATE THAT THE WATER AFFORDABILITY ASSISTANCE
- 25 WAS PROVIDED TO THE PERSON; AND
- 26 (V) ANY OTHER INFORMATION REQUESTED REGARDING THE
- 27 WATER AFFORDABILITY ASSISTANCE.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
- 29 1, 2023, and shall be applicable to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2022.