

SENATE BILL 340

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By: **Senator King**

Introduced and read first time: January 12, 2024

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Property Tax – Credit to Offset Increases in Local Tax Revenue**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing Baltimore City, a county, or a municipal corporation to
4 grant the property tax credit to offset increases in local income tax revenues to the
5 owner-occupied property of a homeowner for certain taxable years whether or not
6 the homeowner has an application for the homestead property tax credit on file with
7 the State Department of Assessments and Taxation, notwithstanding a certain
8 provision of law; and generally relating to the property tax credit to offset increases
9 in local income tax revenues.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
11 Article – Tax – Property
12 Section 9–221
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

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

17 **Article – Tax – Property**

18 9–221.

19 (a) The Mayor and City Council of Baltimore or the governing body of a county or
20 municipal corporation may grant, by law, a property tax credit against the county or
21 municipal corporation property tax imposed on real property in order to offset in whole or
22 in part increases in the county or municipal corporation income tax revenues resulting from
23 a county income tax rate in excess of 2.6%.

24 (b) The credit granted under this section is available only to the owner-occupied
25 property of a homeowner as defined in § 9–105 of this title if the homeowner has an

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 application for the homestead property tax credit under § 9–105 of this title on file with the
2 Department.

3 (c) The Mayor and City Council of Baltimore or the governing body of a county or
4 municipal corporation may provide by law for:

5 (1) the amount of a property tax credit under this section; and

6 (2) any other provisions necessary to carry out this section.

7 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

8 (a) For a taxable year beginning after June 30, 2022, but before July 1, 2025,
9 notwithstanding the requirement under § 9–221(b) of the Tax – Property Article, Baltimore
10 City, a county, or a municipal corporation may grant the tax credit under § 9–221 of the
11 Tax – Property Article to the owner–occupied property of a homeowner as defined in §
12 9–105 of the Tax – Property Article whether or not the homeowner had or has an application
13 for the homestead property tax credit under § 9–105 of the Tax – Property Article on file
14 with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation.

15 (b) Baltimore City, a county, or a municipal corporation may adopt a law,
16 regulation, procedure, or any other provision necessary to carry out the authority granted
17 by this section.

18 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June
19 1, 2024.