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HEARING DATE: March 28, 2023

BILL: SB0826

TITLE: Homeowners' Property Tax Credit - Qualified Homeowner - Application and Certification Requirements

SDAT POSITION: SUPPORT WITH AMENDMENTS

SB0826 would reduce the amount of paperwork that certain applicants will need to submit to the State Department of Assessments and Taxation (SDAT) for the Homeowners' Tax Credit.

For applicants who continue to have income solely from social security, a pension, or an annuity, and have met other requirements, the Department will permit the applicants to submit a "mini" application every second and third year.

This bill will make the process less burdensome for fixed-income seniors and certain other qualified reactants as well as add increased efficiency for SDAT.

The Department requests that SB0826 be amended to conform with HB0897. The amendments that the House added to HB0897 are strongly supported by the Department.

For these reasons, SDAT strongly urges a favorable with amendments vote on SB0826.