

Vanessa Atterbeary

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Dear Chair Atterbeary,

Please vote in favor of HB 910, a bill that will raise the property tax exemption for the blind from \$15,000 to \$40,000. It is true that local and state governments in Maryland must make difficult budget decisions. However, society reflects its values by the type of budget it constructs. Since the 1950s, Maryland has had a property tax exemption for the blind, demonstrating a commitment to help blind homeowners. It is time to raise this exemption to make this commitment meaningful.

Blind people are a small segment of the population. Blind homeowners represent an even smaller segment of this group. Therefore, the state will not go bankrupt if it raises the property tax exemption.

Please vote "Yes" on HB 910, and make the property tax exemption a meaningful commitment to the blind.

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