## HOUSE BILL 558

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CHAPTER

- AN ACT concerning 1
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## **Property Tax Credit – Habitat for Humanity**

- 3 FOR the purpose of altering certain authority for the Mayor and City Council of 4 Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the county or municipal corporation  $\mathbf{5}$ 6 property tax imposed on certain real property owned by Habitat for Humanity; 7 providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to authorization for a property tax credit for certain real property owned by Habitat for 8 9 Humanity.
- 10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- Article Tax Property 11
- 12Section 9–252
- 13 Annotated Code of Maryland
- (2007 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement) 14

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

- 17Article – Tax – Property
- 9-252.18

The Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a 19(a) 20county or municipal corporation may grant, by law, a property tax credit under this

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

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



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$\frac{1}{2}$	section against the county or municipal corporation property tax that is imposed on real property that is:
$\frac{3}{4}$	(1) owned by Habitat for Humanity with the intention of relinquishing ownership in the [immediate] NEAR future;
$5 \\ 6$	(2) used [exclusively] for the [purpose] PURPOSES of <b>DEVELOPMENT</b> , rehabilitation, and transfer to a private owner; and
7 8	(3) not occupied by administrative or warehouse buildings owned by Habitat for Humanity.
9 10 11 12 13	(b) If the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or municipal corporation grants a property tax credit under this section, Habitat for Humanity shall submit an annual written report to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or municipal corporation granting the tax credit documenting:
$\begin{array}{c} 14 \\ 15 \end{array}$	(1) all of Habitat for Humanity's real property holdings in the jurisdiction granting the tax credit; and
$\begin{array}{c} 16 \\ 17 \end{array}$	(2) all transactions involving Habitat for Humanity's real property holdings in the jurisdiction granting the tax credit.
18 19	(c) The Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or municipal corporation may, by law:
20 21	(1) set the amount, terms, scope, and duration of a credit granted under subsection (a) of this section; and
22 23	(2) adopt any other provision necessary to administer a credit granted under subsection (a) of this section.
24 25 26	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2011, and shall be applicable to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2011.

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