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COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session 2020, Legislative Day No. 26

Bill No. 74-20

Introduced by Ms. Haire

By the County Council, September 8, 2020

Introduced and first read on September 8, 2020
Public Hearing set for and held on October 5, 2020
Bill Expires on December 12, 2020

By Order: JoAnne Gray, Administrative Officer

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning: Finance, Taxation, and Budget – Real Property Taxes –
2 Public Safety Officers Property Tax Credit

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4 FOR the purpose of amending a certain deadline for applying for the public safety officers’
5 property tax credit; providing for the termination of this Ordinance; and generally
6 relating to the public safety officers’ property tax credit.

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8 WHEREAS, § 4-2-313 of the Anne Arundel County Code allows a certain tax
9 credit from County real property taxes levied on a dwelling owned by an eligible
10 public safety officer when an application is filed on or before April 1; and

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12 WHEREAS, on March 5, 2020, Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr. proclaimed a
13 state of emergency and a catastrophic health emergency for the entire State of
14 Maryland in an effort to control and prevent the spread of COVID-19; and

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16 WHEREAS, by Executive Order No. 16 dated March 13, 2020, the Anne Arundel
17 County Executive also proclaimed a civil emergency in Anne Arundel County as a
18 result of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

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20 WHEREAS, by Bill No. 24-20 the County Council extended the proclamation of
21 the civil emergency in Anne Arundel County until the proclamation of emergencies
22 for the State of Maryland is renewed, extended, or terminated; and

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24 WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020 the County Executive issued Executive Order No.
25 17 and suspended all legal time requirements in the County until the 30th day
26 following the date the proclamation of the County civil emergency expires or is
27 terminated; and

1 WHEREAS, on May 8, 2020 the County Executive amended and restated
2 Executive Order No. 17; and

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4 WHEREAS, on June 12, 2020 the County Executive issued Executive Order No.
5 25 that, among other things, terminated Executive Order No. 17 and resumed the
6 legal time requirement for submitting an application for the public safety officers
7 property tax credit; and

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9 WHEREAS, due to the continued threats to health from COVID-19, the Governor's
10 proclamation of a state of emergency and a catastrophic health emergency for the
11 State of Maryland and the civil emergency proclaimed in Anne Arundel County are
12 still active; and

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14 WHEREAS, the health and civil emergencies declared as a result of COVID-19,
15 while necessary, have created difficulties for all County residents; now, therefore

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17 SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the County Council of Anne Arundel County, Maryland,*
18 That the deadline for submitting an application for the public safety officers' property tax
19 credit, or for a renewal of the tax credit, pursuant to § 4-2-313 of the Anne Arundel County
20 Code, shall be extended through November 30, 2020.

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22 SECTION 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the provisions of this Ordinance shall
23 remain in effect until December 1, 2020, after which it shall stand repealed and, with no
24 further action required by the County Council, be of no further force and effect.

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26 SECTION 3. *And be it further enacted,* That this Ordinance shall take effect 45 days
27 from the date it becomes law.

READ AND PASSED this 5th day of October, 2020

By Order:



JoAnne Gray
Administrative Officer

PRESENTED to the County Executive for his approval this 6th day of October, 2020



JoAnne Gray
Administrative Officer

APPROVED AND ENACTED this 16th day of October, 2020



Steuart Pittman
County Executive

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 30, 2020

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF
BILL NO. 74-20. THE ORIGINAL OF WHICH IS RETAINED IN THE
FILES OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL.



JoAnne Gray
Administrative Officer