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By: Senators Young and Hough

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A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning 2 Frederick County - Elderly or Disabled Renters - Grants 3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the governing body of Frederick County to provide, by law, 4 a grant to certain renters of property; authorizing the governing body of Frederick 5 County to establish qualifications for the grant; requiring the governing body of 6 Frederick County to fund the grant from the appropriate county source; and 7 generally relating to authorizing the governing body of Frederick County to provide 8 certain grants. 9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, 10 Article - Tax - Property 11 Section 9-402 Annotated Code of Maryland 12 (2019 Replacement Volume) 13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND. 14 15 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: 16 Article - Tax - Property 9-402.17 In this section, "county" means: 18 (a) 19 (1) Anne Arundel County; 20 (2) FREDERICK COUNTY; 21 **(3)** Howard County;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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- 1 [(3)] (4) Montgomery County; and 2 [(4)] (5) Prince George's County.
- 3 (b) Instead of a property tax credit, the governing body of a county may provide, 4 by law, a grant to any eligible elderly or disabled renter.
- 5 (c) The governing body of a county may establish any qualification for the grant, 6 including an income limit.
- 7 (d) The governing body of a county shall fund the grant from the appropriate 8 county source.
- 9 (e) This section may not be construed to deny the governing body of a county the 10 power to alter, amend, or repeal any law adopted under this section.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2020.