HOUSE BILL 889

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Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Ways and Means

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Retail Service Stations - Electric Vehicle Charging Stations and Property Ta
Credit for Service Station Conversions

- 4 FOR the purpose of requiring, for the approval of a new retail service station on or after a 5 certain date, the person constructing the station to install at the station a certain 6 number of electric vehicle charging stations; authorizing the Mayor and City Council 7 of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to grant, 8 by law, a credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on 9 real property if use of the real property has been converted from a retail service station to other certain uses; requiring the State to pay to each county or municipal 10 11 corporation that grants the property tax credit under this Act an amount equal to a 12 certain percentage of certain foregone revenue of the county or municipal corporation; and generally relating to retail service stations. 13
- 14 BY adding to
- 15 Article Business Regulation
- 16 Section 10–504
- 17 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 18 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)
- 19 BY adding to

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- 20 Article Tax Property
- 21 Section 9–268
- 22 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 23 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)
- 24 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
- 25 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Business Regulation



- 1 **10–504.**
- 2 (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS
- 3 INDICATED.
- 4 (2) "APPROVING BODY" MEANS A COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY THAT
- 5 EXERCISES FINAL CONSTRUCTION APPROVAL AUTHORITY FOR RETAIL SERVICE
- 6 STATIONS.
- 7 (3) "ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION" HAS THE MEANING 8 STATED IN § 12–205 OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY ARTICLE.
- 9 (4) "FAST CHARGING" MEANS DIRECT CURRENT CHARGING THAT 10 CAN PROVIDE A MINIMUM OF 150 KILOWATTS OF POWER TO AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE.
- 11 (5) "FINAL CONSTRUCTION APPROVAL" MEANS FINAL APPROVAL BY 12 AN APPROVING BODY TO CONSTRUCT A RETAIL SERVICE STATION.
- 13 (B) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A RETAIL SERVICE STATION THAT 14 RECEIVED FINAL CONSTRUCTION APPROVAL FROM AN APPROVING BODY BEFORE
- 15 **OCTOBER 1, 2023.**
- 16 (C) (1) ON OR AFTER OCTOBER 1, 2023, A PERSON CONSTRUCTING A
- 17 RETAIL SERVICE STATION THAT IS PROJECTED TO SELL MORE THAN 1,000,000 18 GALLONS OF GASOLINE PER YEAR SHALL INSTALL ONE ELECTRIC VEHICLE
- 19 CHARGING STATION CAPABLE OF PROVIDING FAST CHARGING FOR EACH GASOLINE
- 20 DISPENSER OPERATED BY THE RETAIL SERVICE STATION.
- 21 (2) THE INSTALLATION OF AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING
- 22 STATION REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MUST BE PERFORMED BY AN
- 23 INDIVIDUAL WHO IS CERTIFIED BY THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE INFRASTRUCTURE
- 24 TRAINING PROGRAM TO INSTALL ELECTRIC VEHICLE SUPPLY EQUIPMENT.
- 25 (D) ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2024, EACH APPROVING BODY SHALL 26 ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THIS SECTION.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 29 Article Tax Property
- 30 **9–268.**

- 1 (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS 2 INDICATED.
- 3 (2) "DISCOUNT STORE" MEANS A RETAIL STORE THAT OFFERS FOR 4 SALE:
- 5 (I) A COMBINATION AND VARIETY OF CONVENIENCE AND 6 CONSUMER SHOPPING GOODS; AND
- 7 (II) THE MAJORITY OF THE ITEMS IN THE INVENTORY AT A 8 PRICE NOT TO EXCEED \$5.
- 9 (3) "RETAIL USE" DOES NOT INCLUDE USE AS A DISCOUNT STORE OR 10 A SELF-SERVICE STORAGE FACILITY.
- 11 (B) THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE CITY OR THE 12 GOVERNING BODY OF A COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION MAY GRANT, BY LAW, 13 A PROPERTY TAX CREDIT UNDER THIS SECTION AGAINST THE COUNTY OR
- 14 MUNICIPAL CORPORATION PROPERTY TAX IMPOSED ON REAL PROPERTY IF THE USE
- 15 OF THE DEAL PROPERTY HAS DEEN CONVERTED FROM A DETAIL SERVICE STATION
- 15 OF THE REAL PROPERTY HAS BEEN CONVERTED FROM A RETAIL SERVICE STATION
- 16 TO ANOTHER RETAIL USE, A RESIDENTIAL USE, OR A MIXED RETAIL AND
- 17 RESIDENTIAL USE.
- 18 (C) THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE CITY OR THE 19 GOVERNING BODY OF A COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION MAY PROVIDE, BY
- 20 LAW, FOR:
- 21 (1) THE AMOUNT AND DURATION OF THE TAX CREDIT UNDER THIS
- 22 SECTION;
- 23 (2) ADDITIONAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR THE TAX CREDIT;
- 24 (3) REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES FOR THE APPLICATION AND UNIFORM PROCESSING OF REQUESTS FOR THE TAX CREDIT; AND
- 26 (4) ANY OTHER PROVISION NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE TAX 27 CREDIT UNDER THIS SECTION.
- 28 (D) AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET, THE STATE SHALL PAY TO EACH
- 29 COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION THAT GRANTS THE TAX CREDIT UNDER THIS
- 30 SECTION AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO 50% OF THE PROPERTY TAX REVENUE THAT WOULD
- 31 HAVE BEEN COLLECTED IF THE TAX CREDIT UNDER THIS SECTION HAD NOT BEEN
- 32 GRANTED.

- SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act shall be applicable to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2023.
- SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 1 of this Act shall take 4 effect October 1, 2023.
- 5 SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, except as provided in Section 6 4 of this Act, this Act shall take effect June 1, 2023.