

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

Article - Tax - General

10-707.

(a) An individual may claim a credit against the State income tax for a taxable year in the amount specified in subsection (b) of this section for property tax paid in that taxable year for owner-occupied, residential real property that is granted a property tax credit under § 9-317(e), § 9-318(d), or § 9-326 of the Tax - Property Article.

(b) The credit shall equal the amount of the property tax credit granted for property tax paid under § 9-317(e), § 9-318(d), or § 9-326 of the Tax - Property Article.

(c) If the credit allowed under this section in any taxable year exceeds the State income tax for that taxable year, calculated before application of the credits under this section and §§ 10-701 and 10-701.1 of this subtitle, but after application of the other credits allowable under this subtitle, the excess of the credit shall be refunded.

Article - Tax - Property

9-326.

(a) The Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City and the governing body of Baltimore County shall grant a property tax credit against the county property tax imposed on owner-occupied, residential real property that:

(1) (i) is purchased from July 1, 1996 through June 30, 2002[:

(i) in a geographic area of Baltimore City, that contains between 800 and 1500 single-family dwellings; OR

(ii) IS PURCHASED FROM JULY 1, 1996 THROUGH JUNE 30, ~~2004~~ 2005 in EITHER OF two geographic areas of Baltimore County, that contain between:

1. 800 and 1400 single-family dwellings in one geographic area; and

2. 2000 and 2400 single-family dwellings in another geographic area; and

(2) is designated by the Mayor of Baltimore City or the County Executive of Baltimore County, respectively, for participation in a demonstration project for neighborhood preservation and stabilization.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2002.

Approved April 25, 2002.