one-year extension is the more prudent approach. Therefore, I have signed House Bill 789 and not Senate Bill 22.

Sincerely, Harry Hughes Governor

Senate Bill No. 22

AN ACT concerning

Property Tax Credit - Assessment Increases in Excess of 15 Percent - Extension

FOR the purpose of extending indefinitely the time for the granting of a homeowner's property tax credit that is based on a certain increase in the assessment of property; and deleting certain obsolete date references.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Tax - Property Section 9-105(b) and (e) Annotated Code of Maryland (1986 Volume)

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

Article - Tax - Property

9-105.

- (b) For the taxable fyears-1985-1986--and; YEAR 1986-1987 AND--FOR-EACH-TAXABLE-YEAR-THEREAFTER YEARS 1986-1987, 1987-1988, AND 1988-1989, if there is an increase in property assessment as calculated under subsection (e) of this section, the governing body of each county and of each municipal corporation shall grant a property tax credit under this section against the county and municipal corporation property tax imposed on real property by the county or municipal corporation.
- (e) For the taxable fyears-1985-1986--and FEAR 1986-1987 AND-FOR-EACH-TAXABLE-YEAR-THEREAFTER YEARS 1986-1987, 1987-1988, AND 1988-1989, the property tax credit under this section is calculated by:
- (1) multiplying the prior year's taxable assessment by 115%;
- (2) subtracting that amount from the current year's assessment; and