- (ii) This paragraph does not preclude a victim who has not filed a notification request form under § 770 of this article from submitting a victim impact statement to the court.
- (iii) The court may consider a victim impact statement in determining whether to waive jurisdiction under this section.
- $\,$ (2) $\,$ A victim shall be given notice of the waiver hearing as provided under \S 770 of this article.

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- (a) (2) (I) "Victim" means an individual who suffers direct or threatened physical, emotional, or financial harm as a direct result of a crime or delinquent act[, including a family member or guardian of a minor, incompetent, or homicide victim].
- (II) "VICTIM" INCLUDES A FAMILY MEMBER OR GUARDIAN OF A VICTIM WHO IS:
 - 1. A MINOR;
 - 2. DECEASED; OR
 - 3. DISABLED.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2000.

Approved May 11, 2000.

CHAPTER 393

(House Bill 589)

AN ACT concerning

Homeowners' Property Tax Credit - Home Purchasers - Residency Eligibility

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of "dwelling" for the purpose of determining eligibility for the homeowners' property tax credit so as to require that a home purchaser applicant occupy a dwelling for the remainder of the taxable year for which the property tax credit is sought; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the occupancy of a dwelling for a certain duration for purposes of calculating the homeowners' property tax credit.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Tax - Property

Section 9-104(a)(6)

Annotated Code of Maryland