

Sincerely,  
Parris N. Glendening  
Governor

**Senate Bill No. 628**

AN ACT concerning

**Caroline County - Property Tax Credit - Habitat for Humanity,  
Incorporated**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the governing body of Caroline County to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the county property tax imposed on certain property that is owned by ~~Habitat for Humanity; requiring Habitat for Humanity~~ a certain organization under certain circumstances and used for certain rehabilitation purposes; requiring a certain organization to file an annual report with the governing body of Caroline County; authorizing Caroline County to provide, by law, for certain provisions relating to the property tax credit; and generally relating to property tax credits in Caroline County.

BY adding to

Article - Tax - Property

Section 9-307(e)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1994 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

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

**Article - Tax - Property**

9-307.

(E) (1) THE GOVERNING BODY OF CAROLINE COUNTY MAY GRANT, BY LAW, A PROPERTY TAX CREDIT AGAINST THE COUNTY PROPERTY TAX IMPOSED ON REAL PROPERTY THAT:

(I) IS OWNED BY CAROLINE COUNTY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY, INCORPORATED WITH THE INTENTION OF RELINQUISHING OWNERSHIP IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE;

(II) IS USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR THE PURPOSE OF REHABILITATION AND TRANSFER TO A PRIVATE OWNER ; AND

(III) IS NOT OCCUPIED BY ADMINISTRATIVE OR WAREHOUSE BUILDINGS OWNED BY CAROLINE COUNTY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY, INCORPORATED.

(2) THE CAROLINE COUNTY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY, INCORPORATED SHALL SUBMIT AN ANNUAL WRITTEN REPORT TO THE GOVERNING BODY OF CAROLINE COUNTY DOCUMENTING: