



Bill No. 25-02  
Concerning: Amending the Disabled Veterans  
Property Tax Credit  
Introduced February 4, 2025  
Revised: \_\_\_\_\_ Draft No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Enacted: \_\_\_\_\_  
Effective: \_\_\_\_\_  
Expires: May 5, 2025  
Frederick County Code, Chapter 1-8  
Section(s) 68

## COUNTY COUNCIL FOR FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND

By: Council Member Steve McKay on behalf of County Executive Jessica Fitzwater

**AN ACT** to: Update the Disabled Veterans Property Tax Credit.

Date Council Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Transmitted to Executive: \_\_\_\_\_

Executive: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Vetoed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date returned to Council by County Executive with no action: \_\_\_\_\_

By amending:

Frederick County Code, 1-8 Section(s) 68

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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*Added to existing law.*

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2 The County Council of Frederick County, Maryland, finds it necessary and appropriate to  
3 amend the Frederick County Code to Amend the Disabled Veterans Property Tax Credit.  
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5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF  
6 FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND, that the Frederick County Code be, and it is hereby,  
7 amended as shown on the attached Exhibit 1.  
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13 Brad W. Young, President  
14 County Council of Frederick County,  
15 Maryland

**ARTICLE III.B: PROPERTY TAX CREDIT (§§ 1-8-61 — 1-8-70)**

**§ 1-8-68. DISABLED VETERANS PROPERTY TAX CREDIT.**

(A) **Definitions.** In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

**DISABLED VETERAN.** An individual who:

(a) Is honorably discharged or released under honorable circumstances from active military, naval, or air service as defined in 38 U.S.C. § 101; and

(b)

1. Has been declared by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to have a permanent service-connected disability of at least 50% that results from blindness or any other disabling cause that:

(i) Is reasonably certain to continue for the life of the veteran; and

(ii) Was not caused or incurred by misconduct of the veteran; or

2. Has been declared by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to have a nonpermanent service-connected disability of 100% that results from blindness or any other disabling cause that was not caused or incurred by misconduct of the veteran.

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(D) **Calculation.**

The property tax credit provided in this section shall equal:

(1) Fifty percent of the county property tax imposed on the dwelling house if the disabled veteran's service-connected disability rating is at least 75% [but not more than 99%; ] and the disabled veteran does not qualify for a property tax exemption pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Tax Property Article § 7-208; or

(2) Twenty-five percent of the county property tax imposed on the dwelling house if the disabled veteran's service-connected disability rating is at least 50% but not more than 74%.

(E) **Application.**

(1) A disabled veteran or a surviving spouse of a disabled veteran shall apply for the property tax credit under this section by providing to the County Treasurer:

(a) A copy of the disabled veteran's discharge certificate from active military, naval, or air service; and

(b) On the form provided by the County, a certification of the disabled veteran's disability from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

(2) The disabled veteran's certificate of disability may not be inspected by individuals other than:

(a) The disabled veteran; or

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1 (b) Appropriate employees of the County.

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