

(c) (1) [A] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2), A property tax credit, not to exceed \$750, shall be allowed upon the application of any homeowner from total real property taxes upon the dwelling for which application for the tax credit is made. The tax credit shall be equal to the amount of real property taxes in excess of a percentage of the gross income, or combined income, as the case may be, of the homeowner. This percentage shall not exceed three percent of the first \$3,000 of combined income, four percent of the next \$5,000 of combined income, five percent of the next \$4,000 of combined income, seven percent of the next \$3,000 of combined income and nine percent of all combined income in excess of \$15,000. The credit shall not be allowed to any homeowner whose combined net worth is in excess of \$150,000 as of December 31 of the calendar year preceding the year in which the application is made for the tax credit.

(2) UPON THE APPLICATION OF ANY HOMEOWNER 60 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER OR ANY DISABLED HOMEOWNER AS DEFINED IN SECTION ~~12F-3~~ 12F-1 OF THIS ARTICLE WHOSE GROSS INCOME OR COMBINED INCOME IS \$5,000 OR LESS, A PROPERTY TAX CREDIT SHALL BE ALLOWED FROM TOTAL REAL PROPERTY TAXES UPON THE DWELLING FOR WHICH APPLICATION IS MADE. THE TAX CREDIT SHALL BE EQUAL TO THE AMOUNT OF REAL PROPERTY TAXES IN EXCESS OF 2 PERCENT OF THE GROSS INCOME, OR COMBINED INCOME, AS THE CASE MAY BE, OF THE HOMEOWNER.

[ (2) ] (3) When a homeowner sells a dwelling which is subject to a property tax credit, the credit shall be terminated as of the date of transfer of the property. The total amount of the credit shall be included in the amount of ordinary taxes which were paid by the homeowner and which are adjusted at the time of settlement between the homeowner and the purchaser. The homeowner shall be charged only for that proportion of the credit which the homeowner's period of ownership of the property during the taxable year in which the transfer occurs bears to the entire taxable year. The remaining portion of the credit shall be paid by the purchaser to the county or Baltimore City and credited to the State, less any deductions for the costs incurred by any county, Baltimore City or municipality under the provisions of the §12F-2 of this article.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That if Chapter of the Acts of 1977 (House Bill 912) is enacted, the amount of credit granted for homeowners other than those 60 years of age and older or disabled as defined in Section ~~12F-3~~ 12F-1 of Article 81 - Revenue and Taxes under Chapter of the Acts of 1977 (House Bill 912) shall not include the amount of credit provided under Section 1 of this Act and no additional credit shall be provided.