

HOUSE BILL 623

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HB 1333/21 – HRU

EMERGENCY BILL

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By: **Delegate Brooks**

Introduced and read first time: January 31, 2022

Assigned to: Ways and Means

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Essential Health Care Workers**

3 FOR the purpose of allowing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for
4 a certain amount for certain taxable years if an individual is a certain essential
5 health care worker; and generally relating to a Maryland income tax subtraction
6 modification for essential health care workers.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
8 Article – Tax – General
9 Section 10–208(a)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2016 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

12 BY adding to
13 Article – Tax – General
14 Section 10–208(bb)
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2016 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

19 **Article – Tax – General**

20 10–208.

21 (a) In addition to the modification under § 10–207 of this subtitle, the amounts
22 under this section are subtracted from the federal adjusted gross income of a resident to
23 determine Maryland adjusted gross income.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(BB) (1) (I) IN THIS SUBSECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE**
2 **MEANINGS INDICATED.**

3 **(II) “EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROVIDER” HAS THE**
4 **MEANING STATED IN § 13–516 OF THE EDUCATION ARTICLE.**

5 **(III) “ESSENTIAL HEALTH CARE WORKER” MEANS A LICENSED**
6 **PHYSICIAN, A LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE, A REGISTERED NURSE, OR AN**
7 **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROVIDER WHO PERFORMED A DUTY OR WORK**
8 **RESPONSIBILITY:**

9 **1. DURING A STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARED BY THE**
10 **GOVERNOR UNDER TITLE 14 OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY ARTICLE DUE TO THE**
11 **COVID–19 PANDEMIC; AND**

12 **2. THAT COULD NOT BE PERFORMED REMOTELY OR WAS**
13 **REQUIRED TO BE COMPLETED AT THE WORK SITE.**

14 **(IV) “LICENSED PHYSICIAN” HAS THE MEANING STATED IN §**
15 **14–101 OF THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS ARTICLE.**

16 **(V) “LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE” AND “REGISTERED NURSE”**
17 **HAVE THE MEANINGS STATED IN § 8–101 OF THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS ARTICLE.**

18 **(2) FOR A TAXABLE YEAR BEGINNING AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2020,**
19 **BUT BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2023, THE SUBTRACTION ALLOWED UNDER SUBSECTION**
20 **(A) OF THIS SECTION INCLUDES AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO \$2,000 IF AN INDIVIDUAL IS**
21 **AN ESSENTIAL HEALTH CARE WORKER.**

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency
23 measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has
24 been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three–fifths of all the members elected to
25 each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is
26 enacted. It shall remain effective through June 30, 2023, and, at the end of June 30, 2023,
27 this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and
28 of no further force and effect.