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BILL: SB0134

TITLE: Property Tax Credit for Disabled Veterans - Established

SDAT POSITION: LETTER OF INFORMATION

The State Department of Assessments and Taxation (SDAT) offers the following letter of information for SB0134, a bill that would expand criteria for Veterans who can receive Property Tax Credits.

The Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs reported 90,090 veterans in Maryland having received VA disability compensation in 2021. Currently, SDAT records indicate there are 20,333 permanently 100% disabled veterans currently receiving a property tax exemption under Tax Property Article 7-208. SDAT anticipates that it would need to process 69,757 additional tax credit applications during the first year of the credit.

A large number of applications may need to be reviewed annually as the percentage of disability can change each year based on physical exams performed by the VA.

For these reasons, SDAT would like the committee to consider the information presented as it deliberates SB0134.