Bill No. 21-25

Concerning: Taxation – Day Care and Child Care Property Tax Credit

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COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

Lead Sponsor: Council President Stewart

Co-Sponsors: Councilmember Albornoz, Council Vice President Jawando, and Councilmembers Friedson, Katz, Glass, Sayles, and Luedtke

AN ACT to:

- (1) increase eligibility for the day care and child care property tax credit;
- (2) increase the amount of the tax credit;
- (3) update terminology in accordance with state law; and
- (4) generally amend the law regarding property tax credits in the County.

By amending

Chapter 52, Taxation.

Section 52-94

BoldfaceHeading or defined term.
Underlining

Added to existing law by original bill.

[Single boldface brackets]

Deleted from existing law by original bill.

<u>Double underlining</u>

Added by amendment.

[[Double boldface brackets]] Deleted from existing law or the bill by amendment.

Existing law unaffected by bill.

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following Act:

52-94. Day care and child care property tax credit. 2 *Credit for child care or day care provider.* 3 (a) (1) A taxpayer may receive a property tax credit against the general 4 County tax and special service area taxes for an improvement on 5 real property if the improvement is used exclusively for child 6 care or day care services under state law as a: 7 (A) registered family [day] child care home or large family 8 child care home under Title 9.5, Subtitle 3 of the Education 9 Article of the Maryland Code, as amended; 10 (B) licensed child care center under Title 9.5, Subtitle 4 of the 11 Education Article of the Maryland Code, as amended; 12 licensed day care center for the elderly under Title 14, (C) 13 Subtitle 2 of the Health – General Article of the Maryland 14 Code, as amended; or 15 licensed day care center for [medically handicapped] (D) 16 adults under Title 14, Subtitle 3 of the Health – General 17 Article of the Maryland Code, as amended. 18 (2) For each improvement, the credit must not exceed in each year 19 the lesser of: 20 (A) [\$3,000] \$10,000; or 21 the amount of the general county tax and special service (B) 22 23 area taxes attributable to the improvement. A taxpayer may only receive credit for an improvement [(3)]24 completed and assessed after July 1, 1987.] 25

Sec. 1. Section 52-94 is amended as follows:

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26		[(4)]	<u>(3)</u>	The Department of Finance administers this subsection. A
27			taxpa	yer must apply for the tax credit with the Department of
28			Finar	ace by April 1 to receive the credit in the next taxable year.
29			The 1	taxpayer must certify in writing that the child care or day
30			care p	provider:
31			(A)	is licensed or registered by the State; and
32			(B)	will accept clients whose care is subsidized by the County,
33				State, or federal government, if the child care or day care
34				provider has space.
35		[(5)]	<u>(4)</u>	A taxpayer must not receive a credit under this subsection
36			if the	real property qualifies for a credit under subsection (b).
37	(b)	Credit for family [day] child care home or [group day] child care center		
38		on business property.		
39		(1)	A tax	payer may receive a property tax credit against the general
40			Coun	ty tax and special service area taxes for an improvement on
41			real p	property owned by a business with at least 25 employees if
42			the in	nprovement is used exclusively for [day] child care services
43			unde	state law as a:
14			(A)	registered family [day] child care home or large family
45				child care home under Title 9.5, Subtitle 3 of the Education
46				Article of the Maryland Code, as amended; or
1 7			(B)	licensed child care center <u>under Title 9.5</u> , <u>Subtitle 4 of the</u>
48				Education Article of the Maryland Code, as amended.
1 9		(2)	For e	each improvement, the credit must not exceed in each year
50			the le	esser of:
51			(A)	[\$3,000] <u>\$10,000</u> ; or

52		(B) the amount of the general County tax and special service				
53		area taxes attributable to the improvement.				
54	[(3)	A taxpayer may only receive credit for an improvement				
55		completed and assessed after July 1, 1988.]				
56	[(4)]	(3) The Department of Finance administers this subsection. A				
57		taxpayer must apply for the tax credit with the Department of				
58		Finance by April 1 to receive the credit in the next taxable year.				
59		The taxpayer must certify in writing that the child care or day				
60		care provider is licensed or registered by the State.				
61	(c) Execu	Executive regulations.				
62	The C	County Executive must adopt regulations under method (3) to				
63	imple	ment this Section.				
64	(d) Repor	rts.				
65	The C	County Executive must report annually to the County Council on				
66	the us	se of the day care and child care property tax credit.				
67	Sec. 2. Tran	nsition. The amendments to Section 52-94, under Section 1 of this				
68	Act, must apply to the tax year beginning July 1, 2026, and to each subsequent tax					
69	year.					

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Kate Stewart, President, County Council	Date
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Marc Elrich, County Executive	Date
This is a correct copy of Council action.	September 29, 2025
Sara R. Tenenbaum, Clerk of the Council	Date