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	SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL #23-0368/ REAL PROPERTY TAX CREDIT FOR ENERGY CONSERVATION DEVICES		

TO The Honorable President and
 Members of the City Council
 City Hall, Room 400
 100 North Holliday Street

DATE: May 2, 2023

The Department of Planning is in receipt of City Council Bill #23-0368, which is for the purpose of amending the energy conservation devices real property tax credit; and providing for a special effective date. This bill amends Article 28 - *Taxes*, § 10, to further specify the meaning of a dwelling including condominiums and cooperatively owned apartments, and applying residency requirements for recipients of the tax credit.

The Department of Planning recommends approval of City Council Bill #23-0368, as it enhances financial incentives for renewable energy, and supports more sustainable energy options to help meet greenhouse gas reduction targets set for Baltimore City. Amendments detailed in CCB#23-0368 provide further clarity and specificity for the administration of energy conservation tax credits.

The Department of Planning respectfully requests a favorable report on City Council Bill #23-0368 as it aligns with renewable energy goals outlined in the 2019 Sustainability Plan and the citywide goal to reach carbon neutrality by 2045.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Eric Tiso, Division Chief, Land Use and Urban Design Division at 410-396-8358.

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