The page and line references in this list of amendments are to the text of the Bill as amended in Committee.
SECTION 4

1. In page 7, between lines 21 and 22, the following subsections inserted:

“(5) If, on a liability date, an individual who is the owner of a residential property

(a) is incapacitated by reason of long term mental or physical infirmity, and

(b) had been obliged, at a time prior to that date, due to the said mental or physical infirmity, to vacate the said property, which had been, immediately preceding that time, his or her sole or main residence, and

(c) is normally resident in a place of which he or she is not the owner,

then he or she shall not be liable to pay a charge in respect of that property in relation to that liability date.

(6) (a) If, on a liability date, a residential property is occupied, free of rent, as his or her sole or main residence by an individual who is a relative of the owner of the property, and the owner resides in another property as his or her sole or main residence, then the owner shall not be liable to pay a charge in respect of the first-mentioned property in relation to that liability date, provided that the first-mentioned property and the sole or main residence of the owner are located—

(i) on the same property, or

(ii) within 2 kilometres of each other.

(b) For the purposes of paragraph (a), “relative” includes—

(i) a relation of the spouse or partner of the owner,

(ii) a person in respect of whom the owner is the legal guardian, and

(iii) a person who is a ward of court in respect of whom the owner is the committee.”.