

February 26, 2020

The Honorable Paul G. Pinsky Chairman, Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee Senate Office Building, 2 West 11 Bladen Street Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: Support for Senate Bill 350 (State Real Estate Commission - Continuing Education Requirements - Ethics and Professionalism)

Dear Chairman Pinsky:

The Maryland Building Industry Association (MBIA), representing 100,000 employees of the building industry across the State of Maryland, supports Senate Bill 350 (State Real Estate Commission - Continuing Education Requirements - Ethics and Professionalism).

This measure establishes continuing education and ethics training requirements for Maryland Realtors. This change will ensure the real estate profession's already-high standards for ethical business practices and thorough and professional customer services continue, and create consistency within the normal course of business of real estate brokers.

For these reasons, MBIA respectfully requests the Committee give this measure a favorable report. Thank you for your consideration.

For more information about this position, please contact Lori Graf at 410-800-7327 or lgraf@marylandbuilders.org.

cc: Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee Members