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The Honorable Senator Paul G. Pinsky
Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
2 West
Miller Senate Office Building
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

RE: SB794 - County Boards of Education - Establishing Regional Career and Technical Education Schools - Authority

Dear Senator Pinsky:

Please consider this letter of support for Senate Bill 794. The bill proposes to authorize county boards of education to establish a regional Career and Technical Education (CTE) school. The Interagency Commission on School Construction would create a State and local cost-share formula for county boards of education.

This bill would provide public high school students career and technical education programs opportunities and give Counties the opportunity to pool existing resources between them that would affect a larger population, instead of relying on individual Counties ability to sustain a tech center with enrollment. Building a Regional Center will cut down on costs that any one County would have to absorb to get the same results. This bill would also charge the local governments to develop a MOU to gives local school boards flexibility, in their participation at the regional tech school, to design programs to provide workforce training to complement the needs of the collective region thus allowing counties to keep our kids here to fill local jobs.

Thank you for the opportunity to support this legislation.

Respectfully,

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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