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January 28, 2020

The Honorable Kumar P. Barve Chair, House Environment and Transportation Committee Room 251, House Office Building Annapolis, MD 21401-1991

RE: HB 52 – "Local Government - Lemonade Stands - Prohibition on Regulation by Local Law" – Letter of Information with Amendments

Dear Chair Barve and committee members:

The Maryland Department of Health (the Department) submits this letter of information with amendments for House Bill 52 entitled "Local Government - Lemonade Stands - Prohibition on Regulation by Local Law." This bill would prohibit State or local governments from adopting or enforcing laws that would regulate the occasional sale of non-alcoholic beverages by an individual under the age of 18 years from a stand on private property.

The Department respectfully offers the enclosed amendments to specify that beverages sold must be non-potentially hazardous. This change will prevent the sale of beverages that are not otherwise legally sold in the State because they could potentially cause illness.

If you would like to discuss this further, please contact Director of Governmental Affairs Webster Ye at (410) 260-3190 or webster.ye@maryland.gov.

Sincerely,

Robert R. Neall Secretary

cc: House Environment and Transportation Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 52 (First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 21, strike "NONALCOHOLIC" and substitute "<u>NONALCOHOLIC,</u> <u>UNADULTERATED, AND NON-POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS</u>".