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Testimony in Favor of HB0398
Energy Efficiency-Net Zero Homes-Contract Preferences

Chair Barve, Vice-Chair Stein, and members of the Environment and Transportation Committee

I respectfully request a favorable report of House Bill 398. This bill would require the Department of Housing and Community Development to give preference to applications for loans that will use the services of small, minority, women-owned, and veteran-owned businesses. In particular, preference would be given to those businesses that provide employment for individuals trained through workforce development programs, for loans for certain net-zero homes under the Energy-Efficient Homes Construction Loan Program as part of the Clean Energy Industry.

A Net-Zero Home is a home that produces as much energy in a year as it uses.

This bill simply gives preference to small, minority, women-owned, and veteran-owned businesses for loans under this particular program and other energy efficiency programs.

You will find supporting testimony from Maryland Legislative Black Caucus, Maryland Legislative Latino Caucus, Maryland General Assembly Veterans Caucus, The American Legion, and Maryland Military Coalition.

Again, I request favorable support for House Bill 398.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Rogers".

Mike Rogers
Maryland Delegate, 32nd District