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The Honorable Kumar P. Barve
Environment and Transportation Committee
House Office Building, Room 251
6 Bladen Street
Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: HB 1128 - Environment – Water Quality Certifications – Requests (Water Quality Certification Improvement Act)

Dear Delegate Barve:

I am writing to express my opposition to the above referenced bill presently assigned to the Environment and Transportation committee.

Please be advised that I have reviewed the proposed legislation and find it to be superfluous, redundant and unnecessary. The existing regulations as contained in COMAR 26.08.02.10 and 26.08.02.11 are comprehensive enough already to afford a thorough and detailed review of any application for a Water Quality Certification from the Maryland Department of the Environment. The proposed regulations are extraneous and onerous and appear to be created solely make the process more cumbersome and arduous.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Dr. Alan J. McCarthy". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Dr. Alan J. McCarthy
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