TESTIMONY OF ROB WINDLEY ON BEHALF OF THE SUBURBAN MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION ALLIANCE AGAINST HB 1249

ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MARCH 5, 2020

Mr. Chairman, for the record, my name is Rob Windley, and I appreciate this opportunity to testify on behalf of the Suburban Maryland Transportation Alliance in opposition to HB 1249.

By requiring the P3 for I-270 and I-495 to have "certain provisions," among other things, it would deter vendors from bidding on contructing the P3.

As with some other bills this session, this is yet another attempt my opponents of the Maryland Traffic Relief Plan to halt the progress that has been made on bringing what has been described as much needed traffic relief to our region.

In essence, this bill is full of beaurcratic red tape designed to stick a wedge in the decision previously made by the Board of Public Works to move forward with Phase 1 of the TRP.

I thank the Committe for this opportunity, and ask that members vote "NO" on HB 1249.