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BILL NO: House Bill 879
TITLE: Baltimore City - Civil Actions - Liability of Toxic Substance
Manufacturers
COMMITTEE: Environment and Transportation
POSITION: SUPPORT

This bill will apply the principle of market share liability and allow the City of Baltimore, Housing Authority of Baltimore City, and landlords of residential buildings to sue for expenses incurred for the lead paint abatement.

Public health issues are one of my major priorities. As Chair of Baltimore City Council's Health Committee, I work to ensure that our Social Determinants of Health are addressed with an eye towards equity. This bill supports that mission by presenting the above-mentioned entities the opportunity to hold manufacturers of paint or surface coatings containing toxic substances financially accountable for their damaging actions.

I strongly urge the Maryland House of Delegates to pass Bill 879. Its passage will hold to account those companies and entities that endanger the health of Baltimore residents.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K. Burnett".

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