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State Law Enforcement Officers Labor Alliance

February 27, 2020

The Honorable William C. Smith, Jr. Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee Senate of Maryland 2 East Miller Senate Office Building 11 Bladen Street Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Re: SB 812 – Motor Vehicle Administration Police – Powers

Dear Chairman Smith:

Good morning Mister Chairman, and members of the committee. I am Jimmy Dulay, a First Sergeant with the Maryland State Police, and the President of the State Law Enforcement Officers Labor Alliance (SLEOLA) which is the exclusive representative for approximately 1,800 active law enforcement officers.

I am here to testify in support of SB 812. Senate Bill 812 is important, straight forward legislation that ensures the sworn police officers of the Motor Vehicle Administration Police are recognized as police officers and have LEOBR protection in place.

Senate Bill 812 would ensure our represented membership within the Motor Vehicle Administration Police have the property authority and protections in place to perform their duties as sworn law enforcement officers and would remove some administrative issues we have had when represented our officers.

I would like to thank the sponsors of this bill, and would ask the committee for favorable support of this important legislation.

Sincerely,

Jimmy Dulay President

cc: Members, Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee