

January 28, 2020

Senator Antonio Hayes
Maryland General Assembly

Sent via email: antonio.hayes@senate.state.md.us

Dear Senator Hayes,

Thank you for your consideration of HB135. Originally signed into law as Chapter 145 (April 2016), this legislation removes the sunset provision from the 2016 bill and continues the \$1 million allocation for the Maryland State Arts Council from the Preservation Of Cultural Arts (POCA) monies.

This \$1 million distribution has helped to bring continued investment towards MSAC over the past 5 years.

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For these reasons, I ask for a FAVORABLE REPORT on HB 135.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jack A. Fishman
Executive Director

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Delegate Frank Conaway
Maryland General Assembly

Sent via email: frank.conaway@house.state.md.us

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Delegate Nick Mosby
Maryland General Assembly

Sent via email: nick.mosby@house.state.md.us

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Delegate Melissa Wells
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Sent via email: melissa.wells@house.state.md.us

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