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**BILL NO.:**           **HB 1252**

**TITLE:**             Property Tax – Appeals of Assessments – Commercial Real Property

**SPONSOR:**         Delegate Solomon

**COMMITTEE:**      Ways and Means

**POSITION:**        **SUPPORT**

**DATE:**             February 27, 2020

Baltimore County **SUPPORTS** House Bill 1252 – Property Tax – Appeals of Assessments – Commercial Real Property. This legislation would increase the number of days in which a county could appeal a notice of assessment for commercial real property to the supervisor of assessments or a property tax assessment appeal board.

Allowing local jurisdictions a longer period of time to assess commercial properties removes pressure on all the parties involved and reduces the possibility of mistakes. It is essential to properly classify commercial real property, and this legislation would make that process easier for Baltimore County. In addition to making the assessment period easier, HB 1252 could possibly increase the property tax revenues received by local jurisdictions.

Accordingly, Baltimore County requests a **FAVORABLE** report on HB 1252. For more information, please contact Chuck Conner, Chief Legislative Officer, at 443-900-6582.