



BILL: HB1544

BILL TITLE: Public Ethics and Campaign Activity - County Council Members and County Executives - Limitations on Applicant Contributions

BILL CONTACT: Delegate Carr

POSITION: Support

February 27, 2020

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB1544

**Cristi Demnowicz, Chair
Represent Maryland**

Maryland has a developer problem. Too many politicians are in the pockets of developers, regardless of whether it's what is best for all residents. Because of that, housing is becoming more and more unaffordable, shared natural resources are being destroyed, and citizens are paying the price to fund these projects, through tax revenue loss and destruction.

Contributions from developers, real estate entities, etc should be banned across the board, at all levels of government in Maryland. Please stand up for the people of Maryland by finding HB1544 favorable.

Sincerely,
Cristi Demnowicz
Chair
Represent Maryland
Maryland Voter-D45

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