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Dear Legislators of District 42B,

My name is Aimee Kaplan and I am one of your constituents. I am a doctor of audiology working in Baltimore and I serve as the current secretary of the Maryland Academy of Audiology.

I am emailing to request your support in pushing the bill H 1326 to update the tax code in order to benefit all of our patients. Currently, only a few items (such as hearing aids) are tax exempt for our patients, this new bill serves to expand this list to include all hearing aid-related items and supplies (such as but not limited to: hearing aid chargers, hearing aid repairs, receivers, earmolds, domes, and more). A hearing aid requires multiple components to function properly in order to improve a patient's quality of life. Therefore we need the tax code to be updated to comprehensively represent the treatment needs of our patients. Please also educate your colleagues on the importance of this tax code change.

Thank you for your consideration to support your constituents and my patients.

Sincerely,

Dr. Aimee Kaplan

Secretary of the Maryland Academy of Audiology