



# Maryland Chiefs of Police Association Maryland Sheriffs' Association



## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** The Honorable Kumar Barve, Chair and  
Members of the Environment and Transportation Committee

**FROM:** Chief David Morris, Co-Chair, MCPA, Joint Legislative Committee  
Sheriff Darren Popkin, Co-Chair, MSA, Joint Legislative Committee  
Andrea Mansfield, Representative, MCPA-MSA Joint Legislative Committee

**DATE:** January 21, 2021

**RE:** **HB 285 – Workgroup on Statewide Vehicle Crash Data Collection and Reporting**

**POSITION: LETTER OF INFORMATION**

The Maryland Chiefs of Police Association (MCPA) and the Maryland Sheriffs' Association (MSA) provide the following information on HB 285. This bill establishes the Workgroup on Statewide Vehicle Crash Data Collection and Reporting.

The membership outlined in HB 285 includes a representative of the Maryland Chiefs of Police Association, but not the Maryland Sheriffs' Association. In many counties across the State, the Sheriff's office is responsible for enforcing the law, responding to traffic accidents, and collecting and reporting data. Given these responsibilities, MCPA and MSA request MSA also be represented on this workgroup.

Further, HB 285 reads that the MCPA representative is appointed by the Executive Director. MCPA and MSA recommend both representatives be appointed by the President of each Association.

MCPA and MSA respectfully request a MSA member be added to the workgroup and the representatives be appointed by the President of each respective association.