

Joe Anderson President

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Patricia Samford Vice President

Subject: HB0204: Environment and Natural Resources - Complaints, Inspections,

and Enforcement - Information Maintenance and Reporting

Environmental and Transportation Committee - January 27th, 2021

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FAVORABLE

Melina Cavathas Director

Dear Delegate Barve and members of the Committee,

Captain Will Gates Director

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Emily Jackson Director

Captain Paul Kellam Director

David Lewis Director

Bob Paul Director

John Spinicchia Director

Elaine Szymkowiak Director

We request a favorable finding for HB0204, Complaints, Inspections, and Enforcement - Information Maintenance and Reporting for the Departments of Environment and Natural Resources.

The St. Mary's River Watershed Association is an engaged partner with the state on several fronts including the enforcement of maintenance on temporary storm water control devices at new developments/redevelopments and oyster habitat restoration and restricted harvest area protection. Rarely do we ever hear about how any infraction is handled. Requiring accountability and the maintenance of a web page reporting cases would surely add to our effectiveness.

We request the Committee return a FAVORABLE report on HB0204.

Respectfully

eph Anderson, president