



Maryland Municipal League
The Association of Maryland's Cities and Towns

TESTIMONY

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Committee: Senate Budget and Taxation

Bill: SB 516 - Equitable and Inclusive Transit-Oriented Development Enhancement Act

Position: Support

Reason for Position:

The Maryland Municipal League supports SB 516 which creates a Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Fund for the purpose of promoting equitable and inclusive TOD throughout the State.

Municipalities are often densely populated centers of their region and in need of creative planning in terms of housing and transportation. TODs are in existence in and around some municipalities already and leverage access to mass transit with housing opportunities nearby. SB 516, and the fund it creates, will allow municipalities to defray some costs associated with TOD design plans, infrastructure improvements, and gap funding. The end result is progress towards additional TOD creation and a move toward the proliferation of TODs in all regions of the State.

SB 516 will help municipalities address the important issues of housing and transportation. The Maryland Municipal League supports this bill and asks this committee for a favorable report.

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