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To: House Economic Matters Committee

From: Maryland Farm Bureau, Inc.

Re: Support of HB 852 - Corporations and Associations - Annual Reports - Filing Fees

On behalf of our Farm Bureau member families in Maryland, I submit this written testimony in support of HB 852. This bill eliminates the \$100 annual filing fee for family farms the \$300 filing fee for LLC businesses.

Having the ability to remove a \$100 or \$300 annual fee not only keeps farmers hard earned money in their pocket, but also makes for a more efficient filing process for the farmer and the state. This is a win, win for the farmer and the state.

MDFB Policy:

We urge the reduction of government agency bureaucracy and duplication to reduce costs, fees, and frustration of the public.

We oppose the imposition of new or increased user fees, licenses and permits as general fund enhancements.

MARYLAND FARM BUREAU SUPPORTS HB852 & REQUESTS A FAVORABLE REPORT

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