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The Honorable Kumar P. Barve
Chairman, House Environment and Transportation Committee
Room 251 House Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

Re: Letter of Information – Senate Bill 465 – Vehicle Laws - Licenses and Permits - Prohibited Acts

Dear Chairman Barve and Committee Members:

The Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) takes no position on Senate Bill 465 but offers the following information for the Committee's consideration.

Senate Bill 465 repeals subsection (q) of Transportation Article 16-301 and corresponding punishments under 16-402. This subsection prohibits performing any act forbidden or failure to perform any act required by this title of State law.

The MDOT Motor Vehicle Administration (MDOT MVA) worked previously with the Committee to address concerns related to the use of § 16-301 (q) by the MDOT MVA in charging those caught committing dishonest acts during certain testing requirements conducted by the MDOT MVA in issuing driver's licenses and other necessary administrative matters. The concerns of the MDOT MVA were fully addressed in amendments adopted by this Committee on the cross-file, House Bill 206.

The Maryland Department of Transportation respectfully requests the Committee consider this information when deliberating Senate Bill 465.

Respectfully submitted,

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