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Testimony
HB57 – Property Tax – Tax Sales - Redemption
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Chair Guzzone and Members of the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee:

I am writing to urge your support for **HB57 – Tax Sales – Requirements to Sell**. Thanks to Chair Atterbeary for introducing this important legislation.

Currently, all jurisdictions are required to sell the liens in a property tax sale every two years, with the exception of an emergency situation like the pandemic (this exception was passed with HB1196 last session).

HB57 removes that requirement, and allows for jurisdictions to set their own timeframes for sale of the liens, if they want to sell them at all. This bill gives jurisdictions the flexibility we need to create our own tax sale system within the timeframes that we want.

I urge your favorable report for this legislation.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions. I can be reached on 410-396-4814 or via email at odette.ramos@baltimorecity.gov.

Respectfully Submitted:

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