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**HB 0061- Support**

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## **HB 0061 SUPPORT**

### **Utility Contractors- Employment and Licensure- Requirements and Application**

Economic Matters Committee

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Dear Chair Wilson, Vice Chair Crosby, and Members of the Economic Matters Committee:

IBEW Local Union 410 represents the men and women who ensure the integrity of the electrical and gas grid inside Baltimore Gas and Electric's service territory. This letter is sent to show our overwhelming support for HB 0061. IBEW Local 410 represents more than 1400 individuals who are tasked with keeping your lights on and the gas flowing.

HB 0061 will move the state of Maryland in the direction needed to build our infrastructure with a qualified work force. It will bring jobs to our cities, providing prevailing wages and benefits that will retain residents. HB 0061 will build a stronger middle class while helping members of our community get certified training to help them excel in the workforce. HB 0061 will hold contractors accountable by mandating proper training making safety the number one priority.

I/We urge a favorable report on HB 0061.

Thank you.

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