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Chairman Feldman, Madam Vice Chair Kagan and Distinguished Members of the Senate Education, Energy and Environment Committee

Senate Bill 848 is an important, vital bill capable of reducing homelessness by placing families in suitable, safe housing.

For the veteran undergoing difficult financial circumstances this measure would be extremely meaningful. The five-year time limit should allow the veteran to transform his or her life to become a more productive member of the community.

The safeguards and limitations contained in SB-848 will allow beneficiaries to exist in proper fashion without personal fear and, at the same time be required to live an appropriate lifestyle that wouldn't harm or intimidate his or her neighbors.

In closing, Senate Bill 848 is a necessary bill and provide a meaningful impact on those benefitting from this measure and The American Legion Department of Maryland asks for a favorable report on this proposal and thank Senator Guzzone for the humanity expressed in SB 847.

Most respectfully,

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