



Maryland Municipal League
The Association of Maryland's Cities and Towns

T E S T I M O N Y

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Committee: Environment & Transportation

Bill: HB 190 – Housing and Community Development - Homeowner's Extreme Weather
____ Mitigation and Preparation Grant Program

Position: ___ Support

Reason for Position:

The Maryland Municipal League supports HB 109. This measure creates a Homeowner's Extreme Weather Mitigation and Preparation Grant Program in the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) to assist homeowners, nonprofits, and local governments in preparing and repairing residential properties. The goal of this program is to mitigate water damage caused to residential homes by extreme weather.

This is an important and admirable goal. MML recognizes the effect climate change has on our communities across the State, and our municipal leaders are very concerned for the health and safety of their constituents. MML adopted climate change mitigation as a strategic initiative for 2022 in part to help address the dangers of extreme weather. Creating a program that local governments can access to help support and prepare our residents is a pragmatic approach, and we appreciate that local governments are included.

For these reasons, the League respectfully requests that this committee provide HB 190 with a favorable report.

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