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On behalf of the Maryland Society of Accounting and Tax Professionals (MSATP), representing over 2,000 tax professionals serving hundreds of thousands of Maryland taxpayers, I write in enthusiastic support of Senate Bill 1105, establishing a statewide tax credit awareness campaign.

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Our members assist countless households striving toward economic security. Tax refund programs provide essential income boosts, supplementing wages too often, still leaving families strained. Yet many eligible residents remain unaware of credits offering relief, leaving potential benefits unclaimed.

Senate Bill 1105 provides a welcomed solution to raising the visibility of tax credit opportunities through coordinated education and outreach. By partnering with state agencies to identify and contact qualifying individuals about available aid yearly, we can ensure all individuals have access to deserved support. Getting the word out empowers citizens and communities alike.

The MSATP applauds sponsoring delegates for their vision of connecting citizens to programs that lift their financial burdens through prudent policymaking. We urge a favorable committee report so this common sense initiative can come to fruition. Please reach out with any questions on how we can support enactment or implementation.

Thank you for your consideration.

