

## TESTIMONY

February 29, 2024

Committee: House Economic Matters Committee

Bill: HB 1328 – Solar Energy and Energy Storage – Development and State Procurement

**Position:** Support

## **Reason for Position:**

The Maryland Municipal League supports House Bill 1328, which would, among other things, provide MML with two seats on a commission to develop model solar siting permits and make recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly on best practices.

This legislation largely represents the agreed areas of policy recommendations from local and industry stakeholders over the 2023 interim. Together, we believe this package of ideas moves the State forward in a responsible manner.

For these reasons the League respectfully requests that this committee provide House Bill 1328 with a favorable report.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Theresa Kuhns
Angelica Bailey Thupari, Esq.
Bill Jorch
Director, Public Policy & Research
Justin Fiore
Deputy Director, Advocacy & Public Affairs