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Maryland General Assembly Economic Matters Committee Hon. C.T. Wilson Committee Chair 100 State Cir. Annapolis, MD 21401

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Re: House Bill 1330 - Allegany County – Alcoholic Beverages – Underage Employees

Dear Chair Wilson:

I write today on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners of Allegany County, Maryland, to express my support of House Bill 1330, sponsored by the Allegany County Delegation. The Board of County Commissioners have received comments from numerous small businesses in Allegany County that are currently prohibited from employing employees between the ages of 16 to 18 for general employment purposes because the business possesses a liquor license. House Bill 1330 would allow license holding businesses in Allegany County to employ these employees as general employees but would prohibit them from serving beer, wine, or liquor.

We support House Bill 1330 and request a favorable recommendation from the members of the Ways and Means Committee.

Respectfully,

David J. Caporale, President Board of County Commissioners of Allegany County, Maryland

cc: Hon. Jason C. Buckel (via e-mail)

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