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**BILL NO.:**           **HB 69**

**TITLE:**               Community Development Administration – Live Near Where  
You Teach Program – Establishment

**SPONSOR:**         Delegate Amprey

**COMMITTEE:**      Environment and Transportation

**POSITION:**        **SUPPORT WITH AMENDMENTS**

**DATE:**             January 30, 2024

Baltimore County **SUPPORTS WITH AMENDMENTS** House Bill 69 – Community Development Administration – Live Near Where You Teach Program – Establishment. This legislation would establish the Live Near Where You Teach Program, which would assist school staff members with the purchase or rental of homes near where the staff member is employed.

Baltimore County seeks to expand the affordability and accessibility of homeownership, utilize schools as anchors for community development, and expand benefits to school staff members. This Live Near Where You Teach Program would support existing efforts to increase homeownership around schools while also addressing barriers to stable housing for working families.

An expansion amendment that Baltimore County suggests would include personnel that support the transportation, grounds, and facility maintenance of schools that live within the County that they serve. These individuals are often assigned to more than one school and are some of the lower-paid employees within the system. These employees and their families deserve to and would benefit from a housing ownership incentive.

Accordingly, Baltimore County urges a **FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS** report on HB 69 from the House Environment and Transportation Committee. For more information, please contact Jenn Aiosa, Director of Government Affairs at [jaiosa@baltimorecountymd.gov](mailto:jaiosa@baltimorecountymd.gov).