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**THE SENATE OF MARYLAND**  
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Senate Bill 785 – Public Nuisance – Common Carriers – Damage to Public Infrastructure

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Dear Chairman Smith, Vice Chairman Waldstreicher, and Members of the Committee

I am writing to strongly endorse Senate Bill 785 – Public Nuisance – Common Carriers – Damage to Public Infrastructure. This will prohibit any common carrier from damaging a bridge or highway that is owned or controlled by the State, a county, or a municipality resulting in its closure. If the carrier does violate the act, this will authorize the Attorney General and the State’s Attorney the ability to bring civil action against the carrier for a violation of the law.

Carriers, like railroad operators, will be held responsible for the damages they may cause during the transportation of goods and services. I thank you all for your time and ask for a favorable report.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike McKay".

Senator Mike McKay

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