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Delegate Vanessa Atterbeary, Chair
Ways and Means Committee
Taylor House Office Building
6 Bladen Street, Room 131
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Re: House Bill 1515 – Sales and Use Tax – Rate Reduction and Services

Dear Chairman Atterbeary,

Harford County strongly opposes HB 1515. While the bill proposes lowering the state sales tax rate from 6% to 5%, it would expand the sales tax to a wide variety of services that have never been taxed before such as accounting services, real estate services, auto mechanic services, home repair and improvement services, etc.

This is the wrong way to try to grow and bring businesses to Maryland. Our citizens and current businesses are already struggling in this current economy. Maryland is currently in the top ten of the least tax friendly states. This bill will worsen that already poor standing.

Therefore, on behalf of the citizens of Harford County, I must strongly oppose HB 1515, and I urge the committee to issue an unfavorable report.

Yours truly,

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