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Good afternoon.

To whom it shall,

I am writing this letter to COMPLETELY OPPOSE HB 1554/SB 1045 Sales and Use Tax, Taxable Business Services.

This bill or thought of a bill will not be at all good for ALL small businesses. The margins of profit are thinning by the years due to bad policy that doesn't listen to those who are running businesses in MD. This bill will cause more businesses to move to neighboring states and your tax base will be severely depleted. If you all want to increase your tax base the simple answer is to abolish this bill and look to incentivise businesses to come to MD.

This bill puts MD Businesses at an extrem disadvantage to our neighboring states here in Washington County that will be very hard to compete!

This bill will hurt any chance to small businesses to grow because of the added cost that doesn't benefit them to show for! This bill will not allow for employee wages to increase due to attempting to stay competiitve therefore not being able to retain the talent that a small business thrives with.

This bill and the thoughts behind it are completely out of line and has no support what so ever from small businesses across the state! It would be the best interest in all parties to oppose this or it could show the result at the polls you may not want to see.

Do the right thing for your fellow Marylanders and get rid of this bill and introduce a tax break for small businesses looking to locate here or to incentivise them to move here!

Very simple business model....OPPOSE HB 1554/SB 1045 and implement businesses to want to stay or relocate to Maryland!

Job Losses Inevitable: Every dollar diverted to this new tax is a dollar not invested in workforce growth. Economic models predict significant employment contraction, particularly among small businesses and service providers.

Consumer Price Surge: Economic research from Towson University's Regional Economic Studies Institute confirms these costs will be passed directly to Maryland consumers through higher prices for everyday goods and services.

Competitive Disadvantage: Maryland already ranks 46th in the Tax Foundation's State Business Tax Climate Index, and as the 3rd most expensive state to do business in (per CNBC's Top States for Business 2024 survey). None of our neighboring states tax these business services, creating a powerful incentive for businesses to relocate across state lines.

"Semper Fi"

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