

# **Letter of Support SB596.pdf**

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF  
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND

February 7, 2025

Senator Guy Guzzone, Chair  
Budget and Taxation Committee  
3 West Miller Senate Office Building  
11 Bladen Street  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

RE: **Support for Senate Bill 596—Washington County—Property Tax Credit—Economic Development Projects**

Dear Senator Guzzone:

The Board of County Commissioners of Washington County (the “Board”) unanimously support the passage of SB 596. As currently drafted, SB 596 would adjust the eligibility requirements for Washington County’s Job Creation and Real Property (JCRP) tax credit program. The JCRP program is a fundamental tool in attracting new business to our County, as well as encouraging current businesses to grow their businesses. Economic growth and job creation are essential to our County’s revenue base and overall economic potential.

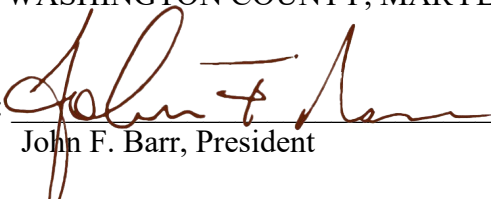
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Because of its positive impact on economic growth and job creation, the Board supports this legislation.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND

By:   
John F. Barr, President

cc: Washington County Delegation (via email)

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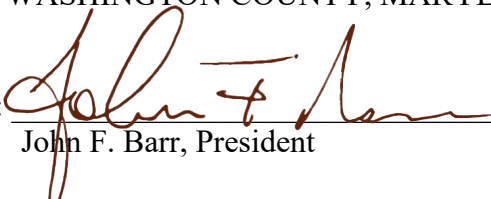
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# **SB 596 - Senator Corderman Testimony.pdf**

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**PAUL D. CORDERMAN**  
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**THE SENATE OF MARYLAND**  
**ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401**

February 18, 2025

Senate Budget & Tax Committee  
Chair Guy Guzzone  
Vice Chair Jim Rosapepe  
3 West Miller Senate Office Building  
Annapolis, MD 21401

Chair Guzzone, Vice Chair Rosapepe, and Members of the Budget & Tax Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to present SB 596 to you today. This bill alters an existing local property tax credit in Washington County for real property owned or leased by a new or expanding business that creates new jobs. SB 596 requires a new business entity locating in the county or an existing business entity in the county to invest at least \$20 million in capital improvements, as opposed to \$10 million under current law. As a result of these capital improvements, the business entity must create 200 new permanent full-time positions, as opposed to only 100 under current law. This change will drive robust growth and development within Washington County.

Thank you for your consideration of this bill, and we respectfully request a favorable report on SB 596.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paul D. Corderman".

Paul D. Corderman  
District 2 – Washington & Frederick Counties

# **SB 596 Support Letter County Tax Credit - EDC- SEN**

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THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401  
WASHINGTON COUNTY DELEGATION

February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025

The Honorable Guy Guzzone  
Budget and Tax Committee  
3 Miller West Senate Building  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Chair Guzzone,

The Washington County Delegation voted unanimously in support of “SB 596 - Washington County - Property Tax Credit - Economic Development Projects”. We respectfully request your support of this bill.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me by email at [William.Wivell@house.state.md.us](mailto:William.Wivell@house.state.md.us), or by phone at 410-841-3447.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'W. Wivell'.

William Wivell, Chair  
Washington County Delegation