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February 11, 2025

The Honorable Senator Brian J. Feldman, Chair
Education, Energy and the Environment Committee
2 West Miller Senate Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

Re: SB0718-Somerset County Code of Public Laws – 2025 Edition- Legalization/ Letter of Support

Dear Senator Feldman and Committee Members:

The Board of County Commissioners for Somerset County strongly support SB0718 for the purpose of legalizing the 2025 Edition of the Somerset County Code of Public Laws and any supplement to the extent to which that code or supplement contains laws enacted by the General Assembly.

Therefore, we as Somerset County Commissioners request for a favorable report and final passage of SB0718. Thank you for your kind consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Charles Laird". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Charles Laird
President

Cc: Senator Carozza

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THE SENATE OF MARYLAND
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February 25, 2025

**The Senate Education, Energy, and Environment Committee
SB 718 – Somerset County Code of Public Local Laws - 2025 Edition -
Legalization
Statement of Support by Bill Sponsor Senator Mary Beth Carozza**

Thank you Chair Feldman, Vice Chair Kagan, and my fellow members of the distinguished Senate Education, Energy, and Environment Committee for this opportunity to present Senate Bill 718 – Somerset County Code of Public Local Laws – 2025 Edition – Legalization and ask for a favorable report.

This legislation would allow for the legalization of the 2025 Edition of the Somerset County Code of Public Laws and any supplement to the extent to which that code or supplement contains laws enacted by the Maryland General Assembly. This is a simple bookkeeping matter to legalize the actions that Somerset County has taken since the last printing of the revision in 2016 and would allow the County to reprint their code of local laws.

Somerset County is a Commission County, which means the local government has limited authority and must seek legislative approval from the Maryland General Assembly on matters like this bill.

For background, public local laws are passed by the Maryland General Assembly that only apply to specific cities or counties that are then incorporated into the county or city's code. Therefore, passage of SB 718 is necessary to full legalize all of the Somerset County legislation that we as a body have enacted since 2016.

I thank you for your kind attention and consideration, and I respectfully request a favorable and swift report on SB 718.

Senate Delegation Support - Committee Requirement.

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February 21, 2025

The Honorable Brian Feldman
Senate Education, Energy, and Environment Committee
2 West
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Dear Chair Feldman,

The Somerset County Delegation supports Senate Bill 718 – Somerset County Code of Public Local Laws – 2025 Edition – Legalization. I thank you for your committee's consideration of this bill and request a favorable report.

In Service,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mary Beth Carozza".

MARY BETH CAROZZA
State Senator – District 38
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