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Maryland Senate Finance Committee 3 East Miller Senate Office Building Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Chairwoman Pamela Beidle

HB1281 - Anne Arundel County - Alcoholic Beverages - Limited Special Event Permit - Favorable

Chair Beidle, Vice Chair Hayes and members of the committee,

I am Emily Gilleland and I am here to represent Delegate Kipke as his legislative aide and request a favorable report on HB1281.

This bill originally allowed for permit holders to have cultural dancing during holidays such as Irish dancers the week of St. Patrick's Day or Spanish dancers the week of Cinco de Mayo. However, at the request of the liquor board, we have broadened the scope to include common sense instances like music, dancing, and entertainment at the board's discretion.

HB1281 passed unanimously in both the House Economic Matters Committee and the House Chamber.

Thank you,

Emily Gilleland