



Senate Finance Committee

January 22, 2025

Senate Bill 212 – *Department of Aging – Aging Services – Program Repeal and Consolidation*

POSITION: SUPPORT

On behalf of the LifeSpan Network, the Maryland Association of Adult Day Services, and the Maryland-National Capital Homecare Association, we support Senate Bill 212. This bill aligns with Maryland's Longevity Ready initiative by consolidating three senior assistance programs into one program to reduce administrative costs and better serve older adults.

Maryland must prioritize the older adult population. In 2000, the 60 and older population represented 15% of all Marylanders. By 2020, that percentage grew to 23%. By 2030, Marylanders age 60+ are projected to represent about 26% of the population. Senate Bill 212, while seemingly a small step, begins ensuring that the State utilizes its resources efficiently and effectively to ensure that more dollars can be spent on services rather than administrative overhead. We urge a favorable vote.

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