

THE MARYLAND HOUSE OF DELEGATES Annapolis, Maryland 21401 ST. MARY'S COUNTY DELEGATION

March 17, 2025

The Honorable William Smith Jr., Chair Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee 2 East Miller Senate Office Building 11 Bladen Street Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: HB485 - St. Mary's County - Corrections

Dear Chair Simth:

The St. Mary's County Delegation supports HB485 – St. Mary's County - Corrections with a three (3) Yea votes and one (1) absent member.

The purpose of the bill is to add programs: a day reporting program, an in-patient treatment program, and a pretrial release supervision program, that the St. Mary's County Sheriff is authorized to establish. Additionally, the bill repeals a requirement that the Sheriff or the Sheriff's designee collect the earnings of a certain individual participating in these programs and authorizes the Sheriff or the Sheriff's designee to direct an individual participating in a certain program to provide proof that the individual has made payments toward certain obligations.

We ask for the committee's consideration of this bill and a FAVORABLE report.

Sincerely,

Todd B. Morgan

Chair, St. Mary's County Delegation