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**Senate Bill 421 – Criminal Law – Destroying Funerary Objects and Cemetery Elements – Statute of
Limitations and Prohibitions**

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Dear Chairman Clippinger, Vice Chair Bartlett, and Members of the Committee,

I am writing to strongly endorse the passage of Senate Bill 421. This bill will extend the statute of limitations for prosecutions from 1 to 3 years for prosecutions relating to destroying funerary objects and other elements of or at a cemetery. The bill will also prohibit a person from willfully destroying, damaging, defacing, or removing landscaping or part of the grounds of a cemetery.

I thank you for your time and I urge a favorable report.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Mike McKay", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Senator Mike McKay
Representing the Appalachia Region of Maryland
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