



## WMDA/CAR Service Station and Automotive Repair Association

Chair: Vanessa E. Atterbeary, Vice Chair Wilkins and Members of Ways and

Means Committee

RE: HB 1508 Baltimore City – Sales Tax – Authorization

Position: Oppose

My name is Kirk McCauley, my employer is WMDA/CAR, we represent service stations convenience stores and repair facilities across the state as a non-profit trade group.

Businesses in Baltimore city is struggling now, giving city authority to add taxes will hurt business and residents. Business is working off razor thin margins, and residents that can least afford added taxes would shoulder another regressive burden financially.

Keep businesses in Baltimore along with jobs they create.

Give HB 1508 an unfavorable vote.

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