



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND

February 12, 2026

Senator Brian J. Feldman
Chair of the Education, Energy, and Environment Committee
2 West Miller Senate Office Building
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

RE: Support for SB 498- Washington County Salary Study Commission

Dear Senator,


The Board of County Commissioners of Washington County (the "Board") unanimously supports the passage of the proposed legislation that would amend membership for the Salary Study Commission of Washington County.

In the convening of the Salary Study Commission (the "Commission") for Washington County in 2020 and 2025, Cumberland Valley Associated Builders & Contractors has been unable to put forth an appointment to serve on the Commission. The proposed legislation amends the enumerated organization to appoint a member from Cumberland Valley Associated Builders & Contractors to the Home Builders Association of Washington County (the "Home Builders Association"). The Home Builders Association is a similarly situated organization currently active in Washington County and was able to put forth an appointment when the most recent Salary Study Commission requested their organization be utilized to fill the vacancy from Cumberland Valley. It would be more efficient to recognize the change in the enumerated organization so that future Commissions may be constituted with all nine members and will not add delay to the Commission's work by adding the task of filling the vacancy themselves.

For this reason, the Board respectfully asks that the Committee issue a favorable report and support the passage of SB 498.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND

By: 
John F. Barr, President