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Our Vision

Transforming the diverse communities in Maryland to advance health and wellness by optimizing movement and function across the lifespan.

February 4, 2026

The Honorable Pam Beidle, Chair
Senate Finance Committee
Miller Senate Office Building, Room 3 East
11 Bladen St., Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: Senate Bill 276 - SUPPORT

Dear Chair Beidle,

The American Physical Therapy Association Maryland is writing to register our support of Senate Bill 276, also known as the So Every Body Can Move Act.

The purpose of this legislation is to require the Maryland Medical Assistance Program and certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to “provide certain coverage related to orthoses beginning January 1, 2027 and clarifying that certain mandated benefits related to prostheses include all prostheses determined by a treating health care provider to be medically necessary for completing daily living activities, essential job-related activities, or performing certain other physical activities.”

Marylanders living with limb loss or limb differences are unable to afford and access orthotics that help them be physically active due to inadequate insurance coverage. This legislation provides improved coverage for orthoses, replacements, repairs, and parts that do not currently exist.

For the reasons noted above, we are asking for a favorable report on Senate Bill 276.

Sincerely,



Roy Film, PT, DPT
President, APTA Maryland