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The Honorable Pamela Beidle
Chair, Senate Finance Committee
3 East Miller Senate Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401-1991

RE: Senate Bill 119 – State Board of Environmental Health Specialists – Sunset Extension – Letter of Support

Dear Chair Beidle and Committee Members:

The Maryland Department of Health (MDH) respectfully submits this letter of support for Senate Bill (SB) 119– State Board of Environmental Health Specialists – Sunset Extension.

SB 119 extends the date of the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the State Board of Environmental Health Specialists to July 1, 2032, in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law).

Extending the termination provisions of the Environmental Health Specialists Board will ensure they can continue to fulfill their responsibilities such as credentialing and licensing qualified and competent professionals, and disciplining licensed professionals found to have violated their respective rules of conduct.

For these reasons, the Maryland Department of Health respectfully requests a favorable vote on SB 119. If you would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact Meghan Lynch, Director of Governmental Affairs at Meghan.Lynch@maryland.gov.

Sincerely,

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Secretary of Health