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**RE: Question regarding the scope of HB279**

Dear Chairman Barve,

During Tuesday's hearing on HB279 **Real Property - Restrictions on Use - Low-Impact Landscaping** a question was posed about whether or not this bill also applies to county governments, specifically with respect to weed ordinances. After conferring with legislative counsel, this bill, as written, is only applicable to HOAs and Condominiums. The restriction on use definition does not include a covenant, restriction, or condition contained in a local ordinance/law.

Should you have any further questions about the bill, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

Terri Hill

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Terri Hill'.

cc: Delegate Dana Stein, Vice-chairman – Environment & Transportation Committee  
Delegate Marvin Holmes, Chair - Housing and Real Property Subcommittee  
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