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BILL NO.: **HB 136**

TITLE: **On-Site Sewage Disposal Systems - Inspection - Licensing**

SPONSOR: **Delegate Stein**

COMMITTEE: **Environment and Transportation**

POSITION: **SUPPORT**

DATE: **February 12, 2020**

Baltimore County **SUPPORTS** House Bill 136 – Environment - On-Site Wastewater Services - Regulation. This bill would establish the State Board of On-Site Wastewater Professionals, which would issue licenses for and regulate the On-Site Wastewater industry.

Baltimore County has undertaken a massive overhaul of its sewage disposal systems in recent years, and the County understands the consequences of failing to properly inspect or maintain our sewage disposal systems. By establishing a Board of On-Site Sewage Disposal Systems, HB 136 would create a system of accountability for a currently unregulated field.

Accountability and transparency in government is central County Executive Olszewski's policy priorities. This board, which would be attended by licensed on-site wastewater professionals, would bring essential experience and expertise to vital sewage improvement projects.

Accordingly, Baltimore County requests a **FAVORABLE** report on HB 136. For more information, please contact Chuck Conner, Chief Legislative Officer, at 443-900-6582.