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Chairman Kumar P. Barve
House Office Building Room 251
6 Bladen Street
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Re: House Bill 227

Dear Chairman Barve:

Please accept this letter as support of the state legislation proposed by the Salisbury Area Property Owners Association on Eviction Procedures for Wicomico County. I feel that this proposed legislation allows for substantial notice to the tenant after which the landlord can secure the premises and dispose of any property that is still remaining.

This legislation allows for a procedure different from the eviction practice specified in subsection 8-401-(d)(1)(i) of the Real Property Article, which requires that any remaining property must be removed from the premise on the day of eviction. Many times the removed property is left on the sidewalk or yard for a prolonged time making for a public blight in the neighborhood.

This legislation hopefully will eliminate the blight in the neighborhood and would benefit tenants by requiring at least 14 days advance notice of eviction, allowing a considerable time for them to safely remove their property before the date of eviction.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this letter of support.

Respectfully,

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