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To: Health & Government Operations Committee
From: Rebecca Snyder, Executive Director, MDDC Press Association
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Re: **HB 717 – Support**

The Maryland-Delaware-District of Columbia Press Association represents a diverse membership of media organizations, from large metro dailies such as the Washington Post and the Baltimore Sun, to publications such as The Daily Record and online only outlets such as Maryland Matters and Baltimore Brew.

The Press Association supports HB 717, which narrows the current law regarding disclosure of governmental entity distribution lists. We believe that records should be as open and accessible as possible. This tweak to provide for redacting physical addresses, email addresses or telephone numbers of individuals is welcome.

The Press Association encourages a favorable report on HB 717.



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