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THE SENATE OF MARYLAND ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

Vote Yes on Senate Bill 367

Bill Title: Housing and Community Development - Neighborhood Revitalization Programs - Application Requirements

Hearing Date: February 9, 2021 - Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Chair: The Honorable Paul Pinsky; Vice Chair: The Honorable Cheryl Kagan

I write to you in <u>support</u> of Senate Bill 367. Neighborhood Revitalization Programs strengthens our communities by promoting business retention and attraction, and encouraging homeownership and neighborhood revitalization.

The purpose of Senate Bill 367 is to require an application to a Neighborhood Revitalization Program within the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development to include a letter of support from the legislative district. This includes the Community Legacy Program, Neighborhood Business Development Program, and the Baltimore Regional Neighborhood Initiative Program.

If enacted, Senate Bill 367 would take effect on July 1, 2021, and would not apply to applications submitted prior to the effective date.

In efforts to involve the community in the application process and provide legislators insight into proposals concerning their districts, we hope that you will move for a **favorable** report of Senate Bill 367.

Respectfully submitted,

Cory V. McCray State Senator