



House Bill 517 - Clean Energy Loan Program – Remediation and Resiliency

Position: Support

The Maryland REALTORS® supports HB 517 which expands the types of projects that may be financed under a clean energy loan program enacted by a county or municipality, by adding water efficiency projects, environmental remediation projects, as well as resiliency projects and benefitting the property overall.

Many environmental remediation projects include those that are intended to remove environmental or health hazards, including a project that promotes indoor air and water quality; asbestos remediation; lead paint removal; and mold remediation.

Resiliency projects improve the property's capacity to withstand natural disasters and the effects of climate change which Maryland has experienced significantly in recent years. These types of projects include flood mitigation; stormwater management; increased fire or wind resistance; to increase natural system's capacity; an inundation adaptation project; alternative vehicle charging infrastructure; and energy storage.

Maryland REALTORS® respectfully requests a favorable report of HB 517 which will enable counties and municipalities to expand this effective program.

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