



## Maryland Municipal League

*The Association of Maryland's Cities and Towns*

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**Committee:** House Environment & Transportation

**Bill:** HB 36 – Environment – Packaging, Containers, and Paper Products – Producer Responsibility

**Position:** Informational

**Reason for Position:**

The Maryland Municipal League does not have a position on HB 36, but would like to share the following perspective with the Committee. As introduced, this legislation would allow local governments to request reimbursements from large producers of covered materials and products for collecting, transporting, and processing.

This is a model the League supports, but the bill as drafted does not provide the clarity necessary to understand the impact of the legislation on our operations, to include the potential for new practices and the process for securing reimbursements. That said, we believe this will be a net-positive for the State and our cities and towns.

As always, MML is here to help the committee navigate such challenges. For these reasons, the Maryland Municipal League respectfully requests to be included in stakeholder discussions on HB 36 as a party of interest.

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