



## Maryland Municipal League

*The Association of Maryland's Cities and Towns*

# TESTIMONY

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**Committee:** House Environment and Transportation

**Bill:** SB121 – Zoning – Environmental Justice Considerations

**Position:** Support as Amended

### **Reason for Position:**

The Maryland Municipal League was in opposition to the bill as introduced, but strongly supports the amended version, which now provides a new authority to deny certain special exemption permits and has the Commissions on Environmental Justice and Sustainable Communities supporting local governments in their efforts to address environmental justice issues. This is further bolstered by other legislation this session that would give an MML representative a seat on the Commission.

For these reasons, the Maryland Municipal League supports SB 121 and respectfully requests a favorable committee report.

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