

March 16, 2021

The Honorable Kumar P. Barve  
Environment & Transportation Committee  
House Office Building, Room 251,  
6 Bladen St., Annapolis, MD, 21401

**RE: HB 1061 – Southern Maryland – Multi Family Dwelling Registration**

Dear Chairman Barve:

The Maryland Building Industry Association, representing 1,100 member firms statewide, appreciates the opportunity to participate in discussion on **HB 1061 – Southern Maryland – Multi Family Dwelling Registration**. MBIA respectfully OPPOSES the bill.

The bill would authorize the code home rule counties of the Southern Maryland to require a certain property owner to register certain property with the county in order to offer the property for lease. The bill would stall growth in the county and could lead to unintended consequences across Southern Maryland. It will make landlords want to dump their rentals and negatively affect the already low inventory & higher priced rentals, while increasing rents on existing due to supply and demand.

For these reasons, MBIA respectfully requests the Committee give this measure an UNFAVORABLE report however take our concerns in to consideration. Thank you for your consideration.

For more information about this position, please contact Lori Graf at 410-800-7327 or [lgraf@marylandbuilders.org](mailto:lgraf@marylandbuilders.org).

cc: Members of the House Environment & Transportation Committee