

TO: Chairman Barve and Members of the Environment and Transportation Committee
RE: House Bill 1147
DATE: February 22, 2021
FROM: Nancy Caplan,
Mother of Scott Eric Caplan 9-20-1986 to 1-6-2006

I am writing in support of Delegate Parrott's battery backup bill.

Fifteen years ago, the unnecessary death's of Scott Eric Caplan and Thersa (Tara) Elizabeth Howard could have been prevented if there had been battery backup.

I have survived and have learned to live every day without my son for the past 15 years. My heart is forever broken. NO ONE can fathom what it is like living without your child. Because of Scott and Tara, Howard County and Anne Arundel County have battery back up. PLEASE pass this bill so that no other parent, husband/wife, sibling need to live without their loved one in the State of Maryland. Technology could have saved our children's lives...

Feel free to research their accident - the details should break your heart. Hoping this bill will pass, so you can sleep peacefully, knowing that it was in your hands to save others the unnecessary deaths of their loved ones.

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