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February 3, 2021

The Honorable Delores Kelley  
Chair, Senate Finance Committee  
3 East Miller Senate Office Building  
Annapolis MD 21401

**Re: Letter of Information – Senate Bill 387 – Intersections of State and Local Highways –  
Crosswalks and Curb Ramps**

Dear Chair Kelley and Committee Members:

The Maryland Department of Transportation, (MDOT) takes no position on Senate Bill 387 but offers the following information for the Committee’s consideration.

MDOT State Highway Administration (MDOT SHA) installs crosswalks and sidewalks on MDOT SHA roadways to allow pedestrians to safely navigate the roadway. Currently, the sidewalks in MDOT SHA right-of way are maintained by the local jurisdictions. When a local jurisdiction, elected official, or citizen group asks for pedestrian accommodations on a MDOT SHA road, a warrant study is done in accordance with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways (MUTCD). MDOT SHA prioritizes safety for all users, especially vulnerable road users, such as pedestrians and bicyclists.

The Maryland Department of Transportation respectfully requests the Committee consider this information when deliberating Senate Bill 387.

Respectfully Submitted,

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