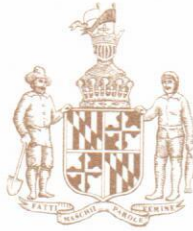


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RE: Senate Bill 387 – Intersection of State and Local Highways – Crosswalks and Curb Ramps

Dear Committee Members:

I request your support for SB 387. This bill requires the State Highway Administration (SHA) to install and maintain a crosswalk and curb ramps at intersections of State and local highways under certain conditions if the local entity has already installed sidewalks extending at least 1 mile in either direction of the state highway. This bill is intended to encourage counties and municipalities to invest in sidewalks and to maximize those investments for the public health. When a local entity invests in sidewalks for at least one mile on either side of a state highway that is not marked by an adequate crosswalk, the local entity creates two one-mile walkways. If the state removes the safety hazard posed to pedestrians attempting to cross that state highway, the two shorter walkways instantly become two miles or more of safe walkways. Under this bill, SHA should be required to install crosswalks and curb ramps when it is requested of them by the local governing body provided the local body has already made the necessary investment in walkways.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Bob Cassilly", written over a horizontal line.

Senator Bob Cassilly