

NSR Petro Services
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Greenbelt, MD 20770

January 25, 2021

To Members of the Senate Committee:

Subject: Maryland SB 177

Dear Senate Committee,

As both constituents and small business owners, we are writing to express grave concern regarding SB 177, which would ban the manufacturing and sale of menthol cigarettes, flavored tobacco and vapor products. Our business, NSR Petro Services, owns and operates over 40 retail and fuel sites in the state of Maryland. Our company employs approximately 400 employees across these sites and is only able to do so because of the revenue we generate, of which nearly 40% is derived from the sale of flavored tobacco and menthol products. With the ban proposed by this bill, not only would we as a small business suffer immense loss but it would also manifest in unemployment rates spiking, as we would not be able to afford nor require as many employees. I am certain that we will see a similar trend across retail businesses in the same industry, setting Maryland up for incredible job loss. With the pandemic still looming over us indefinitely, it would be irresponsible to pass a bill that takes a direct hit at the livelihoods of so many of Maryland's constituents and in turn, the economy.

It is also imperative to note that many consumers use menthol products as an alternative to traditional smoking. This bill impedes on safe access to such alternatives instead of supporting a retail environment where sales can be monitored, and laws can be enforced. The banning of these products in Maryland, where over 50% of smokers strongly prefer menthol products, will not prevent the consumption of such products. It will only lead inconvenienced consumers to bordering states where their sale is still accessible, only taking away from our own state revenue.

We strongly believe that SB 177 is not in the best interest of small businesses, the state of Maryland, or its constituents. We urge you to vote no on SB 177 and any legislation that would severely restrict access to such products. Thank you for considering our sincere concern on this issue.

Sajid Chaudhry

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Store Name	Store Address
Arena Sunoco	1020 Largo Center Dr, Upper Marlboro, MD, 20774
Brinkley Market	3311 Brinkley Rd, Temple Hill, MD, 20748
Brinkley Sunoco	3301 Brinkley Rd, Temple Hill, MD, 20748
Clinton Valero	6725 Old Alexandria Ferry Rd, Clinton, MD, 20735
Enterprise Sunoco	12224 Central Ave, Mitchellville, MD, 20721
Highbridge BP	6021 Highbridge Rd, Bowie, MD, 20720
Kenilworth Sunoco	4836 Kenilworth Ave Hyattsville MD 20781
Landover Sunoco	7530 Martin Luther King Jr Hwy, Landover, MD, 20785
Landover Shell	8555 Martin Luther King Jr Hwy, Lanham, MD, 20706
Lanham Sunoco	9105 Annapolis Rd, Lanham, MD, 20706
Camp Spring Sunoco	7096 Allentown Rd, Temple Hill, MD, 20748
PG Plaza Sunoco	3599 East West Hwy, Hyattsville, MD, 20781
Rosecroft	6100 Oxon Hill Rd, Oxon Hill, MD, 20745
Silver Hill BP	3600 Saint Barnabas Rd, Suitland, MD, 20746
Forest Drive Sunoco	1207 Forest Dr, Annapolis, MD, 21403
Landmark Sunoco	190 South Whiting St, Alexandria, VA, 22304
Aspen Hill Citgo	13615 Georgia Ave, Silver Spring, MD, 20906
Aspen Hill Sunoco	14031 Georgia Ave, Silver Spring, MD, 20906
South Dakota BP	4925 South Dakota Ave NE, Washington DC, 20017
Laurel BP	311 Washington Blvd, Laurel, MD, 20707
Livingston Zip-in	6801 Livingston Rd, Oxon Hill, MD, 20745
Edgewater 7/11	3080 Solomons Island Rd, Edgewater, MD, 21037
Beltway BP	9475 Georgia Ave, Silver Spring, MD 20910
Twinbrook Sunoco	1907 Veirs Mill Rd, Rockville, MD, 20851
ParkLawn Sunoco	12400 Parklawn Dr, Rockville, MD, 20852
Brookland Exxon	3426 18th St NE, Washington DC, 20018

Fast Fuel	1320 Old Bridge Rd, Woodbridge, VA, 22192
Hollywood Shell	24686 Three Notch Rd Hollywood MD 20636
Charlotte Hall Shell	30295 Three Notch Road, Charlotte Hall MD 20622
Hughesville Corner Express	7756 Leonard Town Rd Hughesville Md 20637
Leonardtown Shell	25355 Point Lookout Road Leonardtown Md 20650
Mechanicsville Shell	28270 Three Notch Rd Mechanicsville Md 20659
Korner Karryout	27350 Three Notch Rd Mechanicsville Md 20659
228 Shell	10195 Berry Road Waldorf MD 20603
Prince Fredrick Shell	55 Traditional Way Prince Fredrick Md 20678
Taneytown Exxon	251 E Baltimore St, Taneytown, MD 21787
Emmitsburg Exxon	110 Silo Hill Rd, Emmitsburg, MD 21727
711 Windsor Mill	2701 N Rolling Rd Windsor Mill 21244
Odenton Sunoco	1433 Annapolis Rd, Odenton, MD 21113
Hanover Sunoco	Ridge Rd Hanover Md 21076
Gainesville Bp	7601 Somerset Crossing Dr Gainesville VA 20155