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House Bill 634
Association Health Coverage Plans

**SUPPORT WITH
AMENDMENT**

March 9, 2021

Delegate Shane E. Pendergrass, Chair
Health and Government Operations Committee
Room 241
House Office Building
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Re: **HB 634**, Association Health Coverage Plans, Hearing Date: March 11, 2021

Dear Chair Pendergrass,

The Board of Directors of the St. Mary's County Farm Bureau SUPPORT WITH AMENDMENT HB 634 - Association Health Coverage Plans – which is being heard on March 11, 2021 in the Health and Government Operations Committee.

The St. Mary's County Farm Bureau requests an amendment that the Maryland Farm Bureau be added to the Chamber of Commerce, for purposes of group health insurance, as an eligible entity to offer association health coverage plans. We view this as another way to provide affordable health care coverage to Maryland farmers and rural businesses.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

James K. Raley, Jr.
President
St. Mary's County Farm Bureau

Cc: St. Mary's County Delegation
St. Mary's County Board of Commissioners