

February 2, 2021

The Honorable William C. Smith Jr.
Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee
Miller Senate Office Building,
2 East Wing 11 Bladen St.,
Annapolis, MD, 21401

RE: Support of SB 254 (Public Safety- Maryland Swimming Pool and Spa Standards- Adoption)

Dear Chairman Smith:

The Maryland Building Industry Association (MBIA), representing 1,100 member firms of the building industry across the State of Maryland, supports Senate Bill 254 (Public Safety - Maryland Swimming Pool and Spa Standards-Adoption).

This bill Requires the Maryland Department of Labor to adopt by regulation the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code as the Maryland Swimming pool and Spa Standards. MBIA believe that this would be a positive-steps towards improving the health and safety of public pools and spas. MBIA also appreciates the state limiting their intervention in the maintenance and care of private property where owners have limited funds and cannot afford to make yearly upgrades to their facilities.

For these reasons, MBIA respectfully requests the Committee give this measure a favorable report. Thank you for your consideration.

For more information about this position, please contact Lori Graf at 410-800-7327 or lgraf@marylandbuilders.org.

cc: Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee