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Written Testimony, Letter of Information

Michael J. Frenz, Executive Director, Maryland Stadium Authority

Good afternoon, Chairs McIntosh and Chang and members of the Appropriations Committee, I am Michael Frenz, the Executive Director of the Maryland Stadium Authority (MSA) and appreciate the opportunity to provide this written Letter of Information.

The MSA is an independent unit in the Executive branch of State government and an instrumentality of the State, established under [§10-604 of the Economic Development Article, Annotated Code of Maryland](#). As such, it is *not* a quasi-governmental entity and does not belong in the category of entities otherwise included in HB 0416 (cross filed with SB 0399).

It should be noted that MSA is already subject to nearly all of the requirements in HB 0416, including but not limited to legislative audits and the State's budget process. To the extent additional reporting or audit categories are desired by the General Assembly, MSA recommends that the appropriate place for such amendments is Title 10, subtitle 6 of the Economic Development Article. Therefore, given MSA is a unit in the Executive Branch as set forth in its enabling statute. MSA respectfully requests that it be removed from HB 0416 and the cross filed SB 0399.

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