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**To: Maryland General Assembly**

**RE: SB403, Corporations and Associations - Annual Reports- Fees for Electronic Filings  
Hearing on February 8, 2022**

Hello Members of Maryland's General Assembly,

My name is Aliya Y. Baskerville. I am a Business owner in Baltimore City, in Federal Hill since 2015. Businesses in Maryland incur fees for various licenses and registrations depending on the type of business. The Filing of the Annual State Assessments and Taxation is \$300.00 every year. This is a lot. In addition, businesses also have to pay a higher fee when filing regular yearly Business Income Taxes. On top of that, businesses still have to pay their State and Federal Income Tax once our regular yearly taxes are filed.

Giving Maryland businesses a break and allowing businesses to be able to file for Free Online is a great way to help businesses save money, and have one less fee to pay in the beginning of each year. Maryland businesses, along with businesses in all states, and worldwide have endured a lot due to the pandemic and some are still working to keep their businesses afloat. Since the pandemic a lot of business/transactions are contactless or conducted online. I believe the Maryland General Assembly should pass this legislation SB403 and support the businesses in the State of Maryland to continue to thrive and continue to serve the communities where their businesses reside.

Thank you,  
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Business Owner

