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I Brent Gentle, acknowledge that I am currently the owner of The Chimney Doctor, LLC and that I am favorable on the meeting occurring within the House of Economic Matters Committee being held on HB409, Corporations and Associations – Annual Reports – Fees for Electronic Filings, a bill that will eliminate the filing fee for businesses that submit their annual report electronically.

I am in favor of Maryland to provide a zero-fee option for all businesses for this type of filing, which we are required to submit every year with the Maryland State Department of Assessments and Taxation (SDAT).

The online filing allows us a more efficient and cost-effective filing method for us businesses and the state. This would bring much-needed relief to Maryland's small business community, which continues to grow by historic numbers since the onset of the pandemic. We would appreciate your consideration in the matter.

*Brent Gentle*

Brent A. Gentle

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