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Testimony for HB 1253
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Good Afternoon Mr. Chair, Madam Vice Chair and esteemed members of the committee,
I'm Delegate C.T Wilson and it's a privilege to present:

House Bill 1253: Alcohol and Tobacco Commission - Clarifications

Bill Overview:

The objective for this bill is to give authority to the Executive Director of the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission (ATC), to allow federal, state and local governmental components to address and advise operational occurrences; under the memoranda of understanding (MOU's). This bill will clarify and provide accurate information.

Conclusion:

HB 1253 with amendments:

- Make numerous technical corrections and update obsolete statutory references.
- Clarifies in statute the transfer authority from the Comptroller to the Commission and its Executive Director.
- Authorize the Executive Director to be able to enter into memoranda of understanding (MOU's) and other cooperative arrangements with federal, state and local governmental units to address operational matters and efficiencies in carrying out the alcohol and tobacco laws of the state.

Thank you for your time and I request a favorable report for **HB 1253 with amendments**.