

Testimony to Maryland House Environment and Transportation Committee

SB 612 - Support

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RE: Support of SB 612, "Street Racing and, Exhibition Driving, and Noise Abatement – Prohibited Acts and, Enforcement, and Penalties"

I am Ron Weiss, a founding member of the MD 210 Traffic Safety Committee, a founding member of the Prince George's Police Division 7 Citizens Advisory Council, a founding member of the Maryland Coalition for Highway Safety, president of the Indian Head Highway Area Action Council and a board member of the Tantallon Citizens Association speaking for myself in support of SB 612.

Transportation safety depends on users following the rules of the road to provide a predictable environment for all users. Racing and speed contests inject chaos in our road environment and make our driving environment less predictable and riskier. Contestants value their pleasure over our basic rights to safety, peace, and tranquility. SB 612 will go a long way to deter their dangerous exhibitions of bad behavior.

I am heartened by the support of this bill by state and local police and by the Prince George's County Council.

I urge the committee to support SB 612.

Thank you for your consideration.



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