



## Maryland Municipal League

*The Association of Maryland's Cities and Towns*

# TESTIMONY

February 23, 2022

**Committee:** House Environment & Transportation Committee

**Bill:** HB 788 – State and Local Parks – Child Safe Zone Program – Establishment (Equitable Access to Safe Parks Act)

**Position:** Support

**Reason for Position:**

The Maryland Municipal League supports HB 788 which would establish the Child Safe Zone Program in the Department of Natural Resources to assist local jurisdictions in designating Child Safe Zones and provide funding for capital and operating expenses.

Municipal parks are a key attraction and essential feature of many cities and towns in Maryland. Ensuring the safety of those who visit and providing peace of mind is something our members are always striving for and having more funds available would be very welcome.

Therefore, MML respectfully requests that this Committee provide HB 788 with a favorable report.

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