

**TESTIMONY TO THE MARYLAND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
ENVIRONMENT & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

[HB1070, Waste Diversion and Disposal and On-Farm Composting and Compost Use bill.](#)

Position: Support

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On behalf of the Institute for Local Self-Reliance, I am pleased to submit this written testimony in support of *HB1070, Waste Diversion and Disposal and On-Farm Composting and Compost Use bill*.

Further regulation and delay as recommended by MDE will only hinder the development and expansion of the composting industry in Maryland.

Boots on the ground, we have witnessed the Maryland farmers hustle to keep up with the ever growing demand for home-grown food. Let them play their part in managing their organic waste. It's a win for everyone: looping the organic waste stream on-farm will create healthier soils and in turn healthier food and societies– all without the unnecessary environmental cost of materials transport or additional financial burden for farmers.

In order to progress towards a future in which we all thrive, we must be resourceful. **Please pass HB1070, Waste Diversion and Disposal and On-Farm Composting and Compost Use.**

Thank you for your time and consideration on this important matter.

All the best,
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