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Honorable Delegate C.T. Wilson, Chair
Honorable Delegate Brian Crosby, Vice Chair
Economic Matters Committee

Honorable Senator Delores Kelley, Chair
Honorable Senator Brian Feldman, Vice-Chair
Senate Finance Committee

RE: County and Municipal Street Lighting Investment Act (HB1083SB376)

The Town of Sykesville would like to voice support for Delegate Carr and Senator Lee's bill (SB376) to allow municipalities to gain ownership of their municipal street lights. For several years now, the Town has worked with and encouraged our energy supplier to retrofit our lights with energy efficient lighting with success occurring only recently. The cost of our municipal street lighting has seen a dramatic reduction since these changes have been implemented. Many small and large municipalities across the State will be able to benefit from similar retrofit projects and this bill will aid in moving these projects forward at a much faster rate than what occurred in Sykesville. In addition the bill opens more opportunities for other energy saving innovations from direct metering information that could be obtained. The improvements realized from these bills will simply be better for the environment and will likely save millions of tax payer dollars each year. Therefore, we support the enabling legislation that would make this possible. We would urge the House and Senate to give this bill serious consideration for the benefit of all Maryland municipalities.

Please let me know if there is any other information I can provide.

Sincerely,

Stacy Link
Mayor, Town of Sykesville