



Testimony on behalf of the Greater Bethesda Chamber of Commerce

In Support of

House Bill 663—State Government—Notarial Acts—Fees and Use of Communication Technology

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House Health and Government Operations Committee

The Greater Bethesda Chamber of Commerce (GBCC) was founded in 1926. Since then, the organization has grown to more than 550 businesses located throughout the Greater Bethesda area and beyond. On behalf of these members, we appreciate the opportunity to provide written comments on House Bill 663—State Government—Notarial Acts—Fees and Use of Communications Technology.

House Bill 663 continues to modernize Maryland’s laws with regard to notarial services. Bills like this one allow for increased access to notary services and convenience for Marylanders seeking out those services. While we understand this bill stipulates a ceiling for fees, we hope the Secretary of State will be mindful of small businesses when setting fees within this range.

For these reasons, we enthusiastically support House Bill 663 and urge a favorable vote.