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The Honorable William C. Smith, Jr., Chair
Judicial Proceedings Committee
2 East
Miller Senate Office Building
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Re: SUPPORT – SB371 – Carroll County – Prospective Employees and Volunteers – Criminal History Records Check

Dear Chair Smith and Members of the Committee,

We write in support of **SB 371 – Carroll County – Prospective Employees and Volunteers – Criminal History Records Check**, sponsored by the Carroll County Senators on our behalf. The bill expands the county's authority to conduct criminal history background checks from a prescribed number of employee categories to any prospective employee and adds that authorization for volunteers. The language is drawn directly from current law in several counties. Ten counties are currently authorized to conduct these checks for prospective employees and, of those ten, seven are authorized to conduct them for volunteers. We believe this change will better assist us to ensure the safety and security of county operations and the general public.

We respectfully request a **FAVORABLE** report on SB371.

Sincerely,

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CARROLL COUNTY

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