



# MARYLAND TECH COUNCIL

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RE: **OPPOSE** – House Bill 457 – *Corporate Income Tax – Throwback Rule and Combined Reporting*

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The Maryland Tech Council (MTC) is a collaborative community, actively engaged in building stronger life science and technology companies by supporting the efforts of our individual members who are saving and improving lives through innovation. We support our member companies who are driving innovation through advocacy, education, workforce development, cost savings programs, and connecting entrepreneurial minds. The valuable resources we provide to our members help them reach their full potential making Maryland a global leader in the life sciences and technology industries. On behalf of MTC, we submit this letter of **opposition** for House Bill 457.

House Bill 457 applies a “throwback” rule in determining whether sales are considered in the State for purposes of the State’s corporate income tax apportionment formula; requires affiliated corporations to compute Maryland taxable income using combined reporting; and creates a subtraction modification against the State income tax for certain deferred tax liabilities and assets. The passage of House Bill 457 would create uncertainty for Maryland businesses while adding significant complication to the corporate tax structure. House Bill 457 makes Maryland a less attractive location for businesses and at a competitive disadvantage to competitor states without the “throwback” rule and/or combined reporting including Virginia, Pennsylvania, and North Carolina. For these reasons, MTC requests an unfavorable report.

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