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Testimony in Support of Senate Bill SB 442 Economic Development – Sports Entertainment Facilities – Financing and Construction

Chairman Barnes, Vice Chair Chang, & Members of the Appropriations Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to present SB 442 this afternoon. Last year, the General Assembly passed HB 897, which provided funding to our Minor League Baseball Facilities throughout the state. However, the Hagerstown Multi-Use Sports & Events Facility was unintentionally and inadvertently excluded from the list of facilities. This bill would provide a technical change by adding the Hagerstown Facility to the larger list of those receiving funds across the state. Additionally, it would increase the amount available from \$200 million to \$220 million, which is necessary due to inflationary concerns that many projects across the state are experiencing.

Thank you for your consideration and I respectfully ask for a favorable report on SB 442.

Sincerely,

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