



Maryland Municipal League
The Association of Maryland's Cities and Towns

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Committee: House Appropriations Committee

Bill: HB 789 – Public Safety - State Disaster Recovery Fund

Position: Support

Reason for Position:

The Maryland Municipal League supports HB 789, which would establish the State Disaster Recovery Fund to support local communities when disasters strike but a federal disaster declaration has not been received or fails to meet the local need.

The League appreciates the sponsor's leadership on this multiyear effort to fill the gaps in emergency funding that can occur after a natural disaster, especially in our most vulnerable communities. This is poised to be an important tool for local governments, families, and businesses. Our Hometown Emergency Preparedness Ad Hoc Committee also fully supports the legislation.

The Maryland Municipal League respectfully requests the Committee provide HB 789 with a favorable report.

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