

To members of the Maryland House:

My name is Raekwon Young and I am writing to express my support for HB 787, which would be great for helping me bring in extra income by fulfilling orders from local liquor stores.

I started making deliveries around Maryland with DoorDash back in 2020 during the height of the pandemic. I work full-time in IT, while also serving as a first responder, so having these opportunities to earn money when and where I can has been great for filling the gaps since I started dashing.

One of the best ways I have been able to earn with DoorDash has been to deliver orders with alcohol in Virginia and Washington D.C. These orders typically pay well, often better than food deliveries, and have been helpful for me to bring in extra income when I need it. At a time when every dollar counts, having these earning opportunities has gone a long way, whether that's covering my monthly bills or paying for other expenses like car repairs.

The flexibility that dashing provides is perfect for my life, and having these same earning opportunities in Maryland would be incredible for me. Sometimes it's inconvenient for me to travel to Virginia or D.C., but I'm still looking for opportunities to make deliveries. That's why I am in favor of being able to deliver from local liquor stores here in Maryland, rather than having to go across state lines.

Thank you for your consideration and I hope you will keep my support in mind as you consider this important issue.

Sincerely,

Raekwon Young

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