



## Maryland Municipal League

*The Association of Maryland's Cities and Towns*

# TESTIMONY

March 28, 2023

**Committee:** Senate Education, Energy, and the Environment

**Bill:** HB 90 – Local Government - Regulatory Powers - Regulation of Invasive Bamboo

**Position:** Support

**Reason for Position:**

The Maryland Municipal League supports HB 90 which authorizes local governments, including municipalities, to regulate the selling, planting, and maintenance of invasive bamboo via ordinance, and enforce the ordinance with a civil fine.

Invasive bamboo is an aggressively spreading species that threatens our natural habitat. As HB 90 was amended to include municipalities in its authorization, the Maryland Municipal League supports this bill and asks this committee to provide the bill with a favorable report.

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