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Chairman Atterbeary and Vice Chairman Wilkins,

HB0222 Career Activities in Public High Schools – Sale of Coffee by Students with Individualized Education Programs was voted on by the Frederick County Delegation on January 20, 2023 and received unanimous support. The Frederick County Delegation respectfully asks for a favorable report from the Ways and Means Committee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jesse T. Pippy".

Del. Jesse T. Pippy – Chair

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BALTIMORE COUNTY HOUSE DELEGATION

February 3rd, 2023

The Honorable Vanessa Atterbeary
Chair
House Ways and Means Committee
Room 131
6 Bladen Street
Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: HB222 – Baltimore County and Frederick County - Career Activities in Public High Schools - Sale of Coffee by Students With Individualized Education Programs

Dear Madam Chair,

This is to inform you that House Bill 222 – Baltimore County and Frederick County - Career Activities in Public High Schools - Sale of Coffee by Students With Individualized Education Programs received a **FAVORABLE** vote from the Baltimore County Delegation.

I respectfully request that you consider the recommendation of the Baltimore County Delegation when voting on this bill. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Eric D. Ebersole".

Eric D. Ebersole
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Baltimore County Delegation

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BILL NO.: **HB 222**

TITLE: Baltimore County and Frederick County - Career Activities in Public High Schools - Sale of Coffee by Students With Individualized Education Programs

SPONSOR: Frederick County Delegation

COMMITTEE: Education, Energy, and the Environment

POSITION: **SUPPORT**

DATE: April 4, 2023

Baltimore County **SUPPORTS** House Bill 222 – Baltimore County and Frederick County - Career Activities in Public High Schools - Sale of Coffee by Students With Individualized Education Programs. This legislation would prohibit MSDE from banning or regulating the sale of coffee if the sale was developed in conjunction with an educational program.

Prior to taking County office, County Executive John Olszewski introduced identical legislation to this as a Delegate from District 6. That year, the Patapsco High School Java Shop, an award winning coffee store operated by students with special needs, was ordered to close for violating MSDE regulations. Currently, MSDE does not allow the sale of caffeine in high schools during school hours for any program beginning after June 30, 2018. The effect of this policy has been that students who are allowed to consume and possess caffeinated products on school property are not allowed to sell them, regardless of whether the sale has educational value.

House Bill 222 would allow students in Frederick County and Baltimore County to sell caffeine in conjunction with a career exploration and development activity or organized by students with individualized education programs. This legislation would provide schools in Baltimore County and Frederick County a critical educational tool to teach students, including those with special needs, vital career development skills.

Accordingly, Baltimore County requests a **FAVORABLE** report on HB 222. For more information, please contact Jenn Aiosa, Director of Government Affairs at jaiosa@baltimorecountymd.gov.

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Testimony in Support of House Bill 222

Baltimore County and Frederick County -Career Activities in Public High Schools -Sale of Coffee by Students with Individualized Education Programs

Senate Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee

April 4, 2023

Melissa Dirks
FCTA President

The Frederick County Teachers Association (FCTA) supports House Bill 222, legislation that would allow schools to provide hands-on real-world career training to our students with Individualized Education Programs.

FCTA represents over 3,100 educators who work in Frederick County Public Schools teaching and preparing our students for future education, jobs and careers.

We are in favor of this bill because our students with Individualized Education Programs (IEP) do not need additional, unnecessary barriers to their success. The Learning for Life programs in our high schools have in the past used this opportunity not only to learn life skills in making the coffee but also the career skills of customer service, sales and cashier skills. Students with IEPs already face many challenges and barriers in their life. The Blueprint for Maryland's Future Law acknowledges need for increased support for our students with IEPs so this bill would be a continuation of support for our students with special education services. Special Educators should be able to use all feasible, meaningful, opportunities available to help their students overcome barriers in order to lead a meaningful life after graduation.

The passage of this bill would help provide career training opportunities for our students. **As such, on behalf of the members of FCTA, I ask that you vote favorably on HB 222.**