

March 28, 2023

Dear Maryland Finance Committee,

I am currently a DC resident and am very supportive of HB1060 for a number of reasons. First, I live in DC and there are currently no options for Natural Organic Reduction in area within a reasonable amount of time. Having NOR as an option would be just that for loved ones, another option. Although there are several options for fire cremation in the Maryland, I am concerned with the amount of carbon being released into the air and the effects on our environment. Living so close to the Maryland border, I know traditional cremation is also affecting DC. As adult I am doing things for the environment I would have never done as a child nor my parents.

Raising children who are being brought up in a rapidly changing environment appears to be something that is now landing squarely on their shoulders for action. NOR is not only a very green option for our environment, but for those adults and children today who are doing everything they can to find ways to preserve mother earth. Maryland has a chance to inject change in a business which in need of change. Vote YES on HB1060 and give change a chance.

Sincerely,

Eric Gesheker

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Eric Gesheker', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Washington, DC resident