

March 28, 2023

The Honorable Melony G. Griffith, Chair  
Senate Finance Committee  
Miller Senate Office Building, 3 East Wing  
11 Bladen Street  
Annapolis, MD 21401

**RE: Please make my end-of-life choices sustainable with a favorable report on HB 1060 –  
Cremation - Natural Organic Reduction**

Dear Chair Griffith:

As a 47-year resident of Jefferson, MD, a retired small business owner, and someone who has worked hard to preserve the rural character and environmental wellbeing of Frederick County, I am thrilled that Marylanders may soon have a greener way to die. I strongly urge your favorable report on HB 1060 – Natural Organic Reduction.

I am counting on you to make this safe option available for me and my family, as I don't want my last act on this earth to be one that pollutes it. I have made sustainable choices throughout my life, from restoring an 1810 Mill and heating it with solar power to using a composting toilet and nutrient recycling system, driving an electric car, and growing much of our own food. I believe I should have the choice to die sustainably too. With your leadership Maryland can become the 7th state to legalize Natural Organic Reduction, and Marylanders can enjoy freedom from over-regulation in their end-of-life decisions.

Please vote YES on HB 1060.

Thank you,

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