



## Maryland Municipal League

*The Association of Maryland's Cities and Towns*

# TESTIMONY

March 29, 2023

**Committee:** House Judiciary Committee

**Bill:** SB 291 – Courts – Prohibited Liability Agreements – Recreational Facilities

**Position:** Support as Amendment

**Reason for Position:**

The Maryland Municipal League supports Senate Bill 291 as amended, which seeks to allow a party to sue a recreational facility whose negligence or wrongful act resulted in an injury, voiding any contract or agreements that would release the facility from such protections.

As introduced, the bill's definitions were broad enough that they could be interpreted also open a local government who rents or leases a facility to suit. We appreciated the chance to work with the bill sponsors and advocates to identify friendly amendments to clarify the original intent. SB 291 is now in the same posture as HB 207 as passed by the House.

Therefore, the League respectfully requests that this committee provide SB 291 with a favorable report as amended.

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