



THE MARYLAND HOUSE OF DELEGATES
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401
ST. MARY'S COUNTY DELEGATION

Delegate Vanessa Atterbeary
Chairman
House Ways and Means Committee

RE: HB 263- St. Mary's County- Gaming- Devices and Events - **FAVORABLE**

Chairman Atterbeary and members of the Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to present HB 263- St. Mary's County- Gaming- Devices and Events, on behalf of the St. Mary's County Delegation.

This bill amends Title 13, Subtitle 21, Section 1 of the Maryland Annotated Code Criminal Law Article by adding language to the definition of "gaming device" and "gaming event", adding a new definition of "senior activity center," and creating a new Section 2116 to allow for card games under a certain dollar amount to be played in qualifying senior activity centers. The legislation limits each prize to not more than \$50 to an individual per session, as well as imposed a \$25 entry fee per session. Funds remaining shall be used to support future programs at the Senior Center.

The legislation is unanimously supported by the St. Mary's County Delegation, as well as the St. Mary's County Commissioners. We ask that HB 263 be given a Favorable report.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Matt Morgan".

Chair
St. Mary's County Delegation