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The Honorable Marc Korman Environment & Transportation Committee House Office Building, Room 251, 6 Bladen St., Annapolis, MD, 21401

MBIA Letter of Support HB 992 Environment – Delegated Authorities – Well and Septic Program RE:

Dear Chairman Korman,

The Maryland Building Industry Association, representing 100,000 employees statewide, appreciates the opportunity to participate in the discussion surrounding HB 992 Environment - Delegated Authorities - Well and Septic Program Permits. MBIA supports the Act in its current version.

SB835 requires a local health department or county government to submit a schedule of review times for certain well and septic program permits to the Department of the Environment on or before December 1, 2024. Our association fully supports this measure, as we believe its provisions will help reduce delays in obtaining permits and will allow construction projects to proceed more smoothly and efficiently. Regular data submissions to the Department of the Environment will help ensure that delegated authorities are effectively managing the well and septic program permits.

For these reasons, MBIA respectfully urges the Committee to give this measure a favorable report. Thank you for your consideration.

For more information about this position, please contact Lori Graf at 410-800-7327 or lgraf@marylandbuilders.org.

cc: Members of the House Environment & Transportation Committee