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The Honorable Pamela Beidle  
The Honorable Katherine Klausmeier  
Finance Committee  
3 East  
Miller Senate Office Building  
Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: SB 0751 - Public Health – Opioid Restitution Advisory Council and Fund – Revisions  
Letter of Opposition

Dear Chairman Beidle, Vice Chair Klausmeier and Members of the Finance Committee:

The County Council and the County Executive of Cecil County unanimously opposes SB 0751 - Public Health – Opioid Restitution Advisory Council and Fund – Revisions. The hearing on this legislation is scheduled for March 1, 2024.

It is our understanding that this legislation is requiring the Secretary of Health to present decisions for the allocations of money from the Opioid Restitution Fund to the Opioid Restitution Fund Advisory Council; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to post on the Department's website certain information regarding allocations of money from the Fund; requiring in each fiscal year, that at least 25% of the money in the Fund be used to support community-based recovery organizations in the State; establishing certain reporting requirements; etc.

The allocations of money from the Opioid Restitution Fund to the Opioid Restitution Fund Advisory Council should be sent to the local jurisdiction and allow them to best allocate the funds based on the needs of the community. Cecil County strongly opposes this legislation.

The County Executive and County Council of Cecil County respectfully request that the Finance Committee send an unfavorable report on SB 0751.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Danielle Hornberger in black ink.

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County Executive

Handwritten signature of Jackie Gregory in blue ink.

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President of County Council