



2-22-2024

Finance Committee
Senator Pamela Beidle, Chair
Room 3
East Miller Senate Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: SB1041– Direct Shipment and Delivery of Alcoholic Beverages – **SUPPORT**

Dear Committee Chair Beidle:

The Charles County Chamber of Commerce is a business advocacy organization of over 500 members. Our legislative committee has reviewed SB1041 and voted to support the proposed legislation.

SB1041 proposes expanded business activities in the wholesale and retail alcoholic beverage marketplace to address the significant changes in the purchasing behavior of retail consumers since the pandemic. Retail on-line ordering and direct delivery have significantly increased in recent years and this legislation would provide existing and new businesses with expanded abilities to accommodate those changes in retail purchasing patterns by consumers.

For these reasons, we therefore, respectfully request that your committee give this bill a favorable report.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathy Guzman".

Kathy Guzman
President & CEO
Charles County Chamber of Commerce

CC: Senator Katherine Klausmeier, Vice Chair, Finance Committee
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