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To: Health & Government Operations Committee

From: Rebecca Snyder, Executive Director, MDDC Press Association

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Re: HB387 - FAVORABLE

The Maryland-Delaware-District of Columbia Press Association represents a diverse membership of newspaper publications, from large metro dailies such as the Washington Post and the Baltimore Sun, to hometown newspapers such as the Star Democrat and Maryland Independent, to publications such as The Daily Record, Baltimore Jewish Times, and online-only publications such as the Baltimore Banner, MoCo 360, Maryland Matters and Baltimore Brew.

The Press Association urges the Committee to accept HB 387. This bill would allow custodians to permit inspection of surveillance images of illegal dumping in Baltimore City.

Instances of illegal dumping are a public concern and we believe that these images should be subject to the Public Information Act. We urge a favorable report.



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