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**TO:** The Honorable Will Smith, Jr.  
Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee

**FROM:** Tiffany Johnson Clark  
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**RE:** Senate Bill 113 – Criminal Law – Sexual Solicitation of a Minor Through  
Child Pornography – Prohibition - **Favorable**

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The Office of Attorney General urges this Committee to favorably report Senate Bill 113 sponsored by Senator Ariana Kelly. This bill expands the existing crime of sexual solicitation of a minor by prohibiting a person from committing the crime of sexual solicitation of minor with the intent to commit a violation of the prohibition against production or distribution of child pornography.

This type of legislation would strengthen the State's ability to protect the most vulnerable of Marylanders – our children. For the foregoing reasons, the Office of the Attorney General urges a favorable report of Senate Bill 113.

Cc: Senator Ariana Kelly