



SafeRoadsMD

Date: February 12, 2024

To: Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee:
Chair Senator William Smith and Vice Chair Jeff Waldstreicher and All Senator
Members and Staff

Re: **SB 0442**, Sponsored by Senators Beidle, Augustine and Gile.
Street Racing and Exhibition Driving – Prohibited Acts, Enforcement and Penalties

I, John Becker as a member of the Board of Directors of Safe Roads Maryland do hereby submit the following as written testimony in support of the referenced bill and urge the Judicial Proceedings Committee to pass a **Favorable Supporting Report**.

As testimony both written and oral shall be presented to Judicial Proceedings Committee by our Chair, John Seng; I wish to include my support also via written and virtual testimony.

My focus is on the dangers posed by the perpetrators of these events who engage in dangerous and violent threatening acts not only to the general law abiding public but also to law enforcement and potentially first responders (fire and life safety).

It is imperative the State of Maryland provide the tools to the general public and law enforcement in order to reduce and eventually eliminate this hazard of which you have heard a large number of your constituents complain about.

Good Luck!

Regards,

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