



State Board of Individual Tax Preparers
1100 N. Eutaw Street 5th Floor
Baltimore, Maryland 21201

Date: February 5, 2024

Committee: Ways and Means

Re: HB 452- Individual Tax Preparers-Code of Ethics, Notification of Actions, Enforcement, and Penalties
(Stop Scam Tax Preparers Act)- Letter of Support

The Maryland Board of Individual Tax Preparers would like to express support for HB0452 Individual Tax Preparers - Code of Ethics, Notification of Actions, Enforcement, and Penalties (Stop Scam Tax Preparers Act). The Board, and multiple external stakeholders, has long desired a closer working relationship with the Comptroller in regards to cracking down on non-registered and fraudulent preparers. The bill proposes exactly what we have wanted to accomplish: working hand-in-hand with the Comptroller on enforcement and protecting the tax payers of Maryland. We look forward to the passing of this bill and view this as a substantial step in the mission of the Board.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John C. Dove, Jr.", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

John C. Dove, Jr.
Commissioner
Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing

Christopher Dorsey

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