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## Written Testimony in SUPPORT of SB 131

Chairman and members of the Budget and Taxation Committee, I am here to introduce and voice my support for Senate Bill 131 – *Anne Arundel County - Property Tax Credit – Supermarkets*.

Senate Bill 131 would authorize the governing body of Anne Arundel County or of a municipal corporation in Anne Arundel County to grant a property tax credit against the personal property tax imposed on personal property of a supermarket that completes certain construction and is located in a certain food desert retail incentive area. It would require the governing body to designate what constitutes a food desert retail incentive area for purposes of the tax credit.