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Re: HB121 (SB37):: Real Property condemnation, compensation for farm & Agricultural land

The Sparks Glencoe Community Planning Council (SGCPC) is a non-profit, volunteer organization dedicated to preserving and protecting the rural character of northern Baltimore County by encouraging land preservation, and by protecting the reservoir watershed system that lies within the organization's boundaries. Through newsletters, public meetings, and hearings, the SGCPC has over 400 members and seeks to inform and educate both the public and the government about the necessity of:

- conserving farmland and green infrastructure,
- preserving clean drinking water in our reservoirs,
- and keeping growth in accord with the level of public services available in the area.

We strongly support HB121 (SB37): Electric Companies - Regional Transmission Organizations - Report (Utility Transparency and Accountability Act), sponsored by Delegate Charkoudian as it would require additional transparency for electric companies to submit a report to PSC regarding votes cast at a regional transmission organization.

We appreciate you taking our input into consideration.

Sincerely,

Angelo Otterbein

President

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