

February 14, 2025

The Honorable Brian J. Feldman, Chair Senate Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee 2 West Senate Office Building Annapolis, Maryland 21401

## Unfavorable: SB 913 - Public Electric Vehicle Charging Equipment - Registration - Regulation - Oversight

Dear Chair, Feldman and Committee Members:

The NAIOP Maryland Chapters represent approximately 700 companies involved in all aspects of commercial, industrial, and mixed-use real estate. On behalf of our member companies, I am writing in opposition to SB 913 which would impose performance standards on electric vehicle charging equipment.

NAIOP's member companies develop, build and manage commercial, industrial and mixed use real estate. They often provide electric vehicle charging as an amenity for tenants and visitors; often at no charge.

SB 913 would require these amenity stations to be registered, inspected and perform to the same standards required of stations operated by charging network providers.

This regulatory requirement and added cost at in early stage of adoption will be cumbersome and a disincentive to maintaining existing equipment and installing new equipment.

We believe that removing Level 2 charging equipment from the requirement could help address these situations.

Sincerely,
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