



Maryland Municipal League  
*The Association of Maryland's Cities and Towns*

## TESTIMONY

February 20, 2025

**Committee:** Senate Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee

**Bill:** SB 497 - Department of Information Technology - Maryland OneStop - Required State, County, and Municipal Information

**Position:** Unfavorable

**Reason for Position:**

The Maryland Municipal League (MML) respectfully requests an unfavorable report on Senate Bill 497, which requires Maryland municipalities to update and upload certain information onto the Maryland OneStop portal. This bill also states that municipalities must also update all licenses, forms, certificates, permits, applications every two months.

This bill puts resource and administrative constraints on municipalities, especially the smaller ones. For these smaller municipalities, with smaller budgets and staff, this adds to a workload that is already full of daily administrative and operational tasks. To upload and update licenses, forms, certificates, permits, applications and registrations onto the Maryland OneStop portal every two months, it would require more financial obligations than currently available. Additionally, smaller municipalities may require further technical assistance and education on how to upload these materials online, which takes away time for other necessary duties.

For these reasons, the Maryland Municipal League respectfully requests an unfavorable report on Senate Bill 497. For more information, please contact Iris Ibegbulem, Senior Associate, Advocacy and Public Affairs at [irisi@mdmunicipal.org](mailto:irisi@mdmunicipal.org) or 215-842-8958. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

*The Maryland Municipal League uses its collective voice to advocate, empower and protect the interests of our 160 local governments members and elevates local leadership, delivers impactful solutions for our communities, and builds an inclusive culture for the 2 million Marylanders we serve.*

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