



March 5, 2025

The Honorable Marc Korman, Chair  
House Environment & Transportation Committee  
251 Taylor House Office Building  
6 Bladen Street  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

**Re: House Bill 1322 – Natural Resources – Vessels – Carbon Monoxide Warning Labels  
Testimony in Support with Amendments**

Dear Chair Korman:

On behalf of the Marine Trades Association of Maryland (MTAM), I am writing in Support, with Amendments, of House Bill 1322 which would prohibit a person from operating a gasoline-powered vessel on State waters unless the vessel has carbon monoxide warning labels affixed in specific locations.

The American Boat and Yacht Council (ABYC) is a nonprofit organization which sets standards for the safe construction and maintenance of boats in the United States. The July 2006 publication of ABYC H-41 contained requirements for industry carbon monoxide warning labels. The compliance date was for all boats built after August 1, 2007.

MTAM would respectfully request an amendment to apply the provisions of the bill to gasoline powered vessels MANUFACTURED AFTER AUGUST 1, 2007.

The Marine Trades Association of Maryland is a 501(c)(6) organization representing the recreational boating industry in Maryland. The recreational boating industry has a \$4.2 billion economic impact in Maryland representing 16,871 jobs. With 3,190 miles of shoreline, our waterways and watersports are a big part of who we are and why people choose Maryland as their home.

I appreciate your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

John Stefancik  
Executive Director

cc: Members, House Environment & Transportation Committee