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The Honorable Marc Korman, Chair; Regina Boyce, Vice Chair
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REPRESENTATIVES

RE: SUPPORT HB-80

CUMBERLAND

Local 600
RANDY MARTZ

As Director of the Maryland Safety and Legislative Board for the Transportation Division of the International Association of Sheet Metal, Air, Rail and Transportation Worker's (SMART) we urge your committee to support **HB-80**, "*Land Use Transit Oriented Development - Alterations.*"

BRUNSWICK

Local 631
TOM CAHILL

It would authorize the Maryland Department of Transportation to establish transit-oriented development (TOD) corridor funds to benefit transit-oriented development adjacent to a planned or existing transit corridor. The fund would provide a dedicated source of revenues to repay Federal loans for transit-oriented development.

EDMONSTON

Local 1470
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The legislation would have many positive effects. It would curtail sprawl by enticing the public to locate at or near transit-oriented developments. It would entice businesses to locate where the public and employees would have access to their businesses from transit-oriented developments. It would increase transit ridership thereby reducing pollution from automobiles and reduce the enormous congestion on the highways.

BALTIMORE

Local 610
JOHN WALKER

We urge a favorable report on HB-80.

Fraternally,

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