



WMDA/CAR Service Station and Automotive Repair Association

Chair: Pamela Beidle, Vice Chair Antonio Hays, and Members of Finance Committee

RE: SB938 Fraud Prevention and Workers Protection – Prohibitions, Penalties and Enforcement.

Position: :Unfavorable

My name is Kirk McCauley, my employer is WMDA/CAR, we represent service stations, convenience stores and repair facilities across the state as a non-profit trade group.

SB938 is an overreach by Office of Attorney General, Increased fines, attorney fees and other costs even when labor laws are unknowingly violated, and the ability to initiate investigation without a complaint.

This type of action, of auditing records, interviewing employees is costly and debilitating to a business, while adding three quarters of a million dollars to state budget. Maryland has laws -Maryland False Claims Act and Workplace Fraud Act among others that address these issues now.

Please give SB938 Unfavorable report

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