



February 5th, 2025

Senator Pamela Beidle, Chair
Senate Finance Committee
3 East, Miller Senate Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

**RE: SB 3 – UNFAVORABLE – Procurement – Public Work Contracts – Data Dashboard
(Maryland Public Works and Apprenticeship Transparency Act)**

Dear Chair Beidle and Members of the Committee:

The Maryland Transportation Builders and Materials Association (“MTBMA”) has been and continues to serve as the voice for Maryland’s construction transportation industry since 1932. Our association is comprised of 200 members. MTBMA encourages, develops, and protects the prestige of the transportation construction and materials industry in Maryland by establishing and maintaining respected relationships with federal, state, and local public officials. We proactively work with regulatory agencies and governing bodies to represent the interests of the transportation industry and advocate for adequate state and federal funding for Maryland’s multimodal transportation system.

Senate Bill 3 requires contractors to submit information weekly to the Commissioner of Labor and Industry who must develop and maintain a data dashboard to include details about prevailing wage rates, number of employees, fringe benefits and job classifications, and their personal apprenticeship programs.

MTBMA opposes this bill because it is overly burdensome, creating a weekly requirement for contractors to provide detailed information about their businesses practices. More importantly, we have concerns that this would disproportionately impact small business, minority businesses and women-owned businesses who are often smaller and do not have the sufficient resources to do so, especially once a week. This bill also presents privacy concerns by making sensitive information publicly available that could interfere with competition and how we operate.

We appreciate you taking the time to consider our request for an **UNFAVORABLE** report on SB 3.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Sakata", written over a white background.

Michael Sakata
President and CEO
Maryland Transportation Builders and Materials Association