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**BILL:** Senate Bill 181  
**POSITION:** Favorable

The Maryland Criminal Defense Attorneys' Association writes to strongly support SB 181. An increasing percentage of the prison population in Maryland is older, infirm, or both.

This bill includes two key concepts: first, the bill creates greater access to medical parole for very sick inmates who pose no threat to others and 2) the bill requires the Parole Commission to review older prisoners for release on a periodic basis.

We strongly support Senate Bill 181's goal of strengthening the medical parole system and increasing opportunities for release for older and/or very sick prisoners.



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Sincerely,

The Executive Committee  
Board of Directors of the MCDAA