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TESTIMONY OFFERED ON BEHALF OF THE GREATER OCEAN CITY MARYLAND CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

IN SUPPORT OF:

SB0642 - Courts - Prohibited Liability Agreements - Indoor Trampoline Parks

Before:

Judicial Proceedings Committee Hearing: 2/11/25 at 1:00 PM

The Greater Ocean City Chamber of Commerce, representing more than 700 regional businesses and job creators, <u>SUPPORTS</u> Senate Bill SB0642 – Courts - Prohibited Liability Agreements - Indoor Trampoline Parks. This legislation would alter a provision of law that makes unenforceable a provision of a contract or agreement limiting liability for injury caused by negligence or other wrongful acts to apply unenforceability only to contracts or agreements relating to the use of an indoor trampoline park rather than the use of a recreational facility.

In the 2024 Session, the Greater Ocean City Maryland Chamber of Commerce *strongly opposed* SB0452, due to the negative impact upon the small businesses that run these recreational facilities due to increased insurance rates and lead to greater liability and cost. The Ocean City area is tourism-driven, and <u>SB0642</u> would right that wrong, and ensure our businesses are able to continue to provide experiences for visitors to our region.

The Greater Ocean City Chamber respectfully requests a **FAVORABLE REPORT for SB0642**. Please feel free to contact the Chamber directly on 410-213-0144 should you have any questions.

Respectfully,

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Written Testimony in Support of Senate Bill 642

Maryland General Assembly - Judicial Proceedings Committee

February 7, 2025

Dear Chair and Members of the Judicial Proceedings Committee,

I am writing to express my strong support for Senate Bill 642, titled "Courts – Prohibited Liability Agreements – Indoor Trampoline Parks." This bill proposes to amend the current law by specifying that the unenforceability of liability waivers applies solely to contracts or agreements related to the use of indoor trampoline parks, rather than broadly encompassing all recreational facilities. This targeted amendment is crucial for the vitality and sustainability of Maryland's equine industry.

Background:

Under the existing statute, any provision in a contract or agreement related to the use of a recreational facility that seeks to limit the facility's liability for injury caused by its negligence is deemed void and unenforceable. The term "recreational facility" has been interpreted broadly, potentially encompassing equine facilities such as riding stables and training centers. This broad application places Maryland's equine industry at a distinct disadvantage compared to other states.

Impact on the Equine Industry:

Maryland is one of only two states that does not have an Equine Activity Liability Act (EALA) in place. EALAs are designed to protect equine professionals and facility operators from certain liabilities arising from the inherent risks associated with equine activities. In the absence of such protections, Maryland's equine businesses are compelled to acquire additional liability insurance, significantly increasing operational costs. This financial burden often necessitates higher fees for services such as riding lessons and boarding, making equine activities less accessible to the public and potentially discouraging participation in this historically significant industry.

Support for Senate Bill 642:

Senate Bill 642 seeks to narrow the scope of the current law by limiting the prohibition of liability waivers to indoor trampoline parks. This refinement acknowledges the unique risks associated with such facilities while allowing other recreational entities, including equine facilities, to utilize liability waivers as a means of managing risk. By passing this bill, the General Assembly would provide much-needed relief to the equine industry, enabling

operators to manage liability risks more effectively and reduce the financial burdens that currently threaten their viability.

Conclusion:

The equine industry is an integral part of Maryland's cultural heritage and economy. By supporting Senate Bill 642, the General Assembly can help ensure the continued prosperity of this industry by allowing equine facilities to implement reasonable measures to manage inherent risks. I respectfully urge the committee to issue a favorable report on Senate Bill 642.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Kasenia Coulson

Lexington Park, MD

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One Common Bond: The Horse One Common Voice: The Horse Council

Testimony of the Maryland Horse Council on SB 642

Courts - Prohibited Liability Agreements - Indoor Trampoline Parks

Judicial Proceedings

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The Maryland Horse Council (MHC) is a membership-based trade association that represents the \$2.9. billion, state-wide, horse industry in Maryland. Our members include horse farms; horse related businesses; equestrian competitors; trainers; individual enthusiasts; equine-assisted therapy programs; and breed, interest, and discipline associations. We represent over 30,000 Marylanders who make their living with horses, or who just own and love them.

We urge a favorable report on SB 642 to protect Maryland's robust equine industry from the potentially devastating financial impacts of last session's legislation to ban certain liability waivers.

In 2024, the General Assembly passed Senate Bill 452, which makes provisions in "waiver" or "release" documents that purport to limit a "recreational facility's" liability for ordinary negligence unenforceable. Clauses of this type are routine in the horse industry and many insurance carriers require them before they will insure a recreational equestrian facilities, including boarding barns, lesson barns, trail riding barns, riding schools, and competition venues.

The bill that passed last year affects the majority of the Maryland horse industry, which are the recreational riding and competition sectors. The recreational riding sector alone generates \$421 million annually and supports over 4,500 jobs. The competition sector supports over 4,154 jobs and has a \$370 million annual economic impact on the state's economy.



The legislation caused fear and consternation across those important sectors of our industry because there is no amount of money, training, or maintenance that can reduce the risk of injury for humans around horses to zero.

The horse is a large, physically powerful prey animal that can injure a human by something as innocuous as shifting its weight unexpectedly and stepping on someone's foot. As prey animals, horses react swiftly to new or unexpected sights and sounds, which can catch riders or nearby humans unawares. A Hampstead business owner gave us a good example: "When we are having a lesson and some guy drives by with their Harley and decides it's a great idea to backfire it five times, just for a joke, a horse may spook, and someone may get injured."

These aspects of equine behavior are beyond the control of any equine business owner, which makes Maryland's ordinary negligence law unworkable in our sport. That is why insurance carriers require liability waivers for horse businesses. That is why the national organizing bodies for equine competitions require liability waivers before they will insure a competition.

Many insurance carriers charge substantially, and debilitatingly higher premiums for business with no liability waivers. Still more insurance carriers require their insureds to have liability waivers before they will cover them at all.

Our members wrote to us about their concerns, which we share with you below. We have anonymized the testimonials at the request of the businesses, and we have edited the responses for brevity and readability.

One all-volunteer non-profit in Baltimore County told us:

IMMEDIATELY after passage of the bill last Spring, our then-current general liability carrier notified us that they were not renewing our policy on its anniversary. We found new general liability coverage at 4x the old rate and with an exclusion on trail riding. Without the protection of liability waivers, we were forced to search for additional coverage for trail riding. This has been a near-impossible task. After searching for months and with the help of 5 Property/Casualty insurance agencies, we found two only carriers (nationally)



offering this coverage. One wanted \$10,000/y for trail ride coverage, the other offered it at \$4500/yr with many, many exclusions. Bottom line, the combined total premiums for the two required policies equals almost half of our annual hay budget.

An Anne Arundel County horse farm told us that if insurance rates go up:

Someone will have to foot the bills. With our industry being delegated to discretionary income of most families I believe that families of modest income would be unable to afford to participate. Thus, creating the return to an elitist activity.

A licensed Clinical Social Worker equine-therapy practitioner said:

This could essentially leave all boarded horses homeless as no boarding facility would be able to afford insurance without liability waivers. It will impact not only our horse community but also our special needs community and those with mental health issues.

A competition barn in Washington County told us:

My present insurer told me this morning that they (understandably) would not assume that risk nor insure me without liability protection afforded by a waiver. Liability insurance is a necessity for me and I would cease operations. Financially that means loss of income from boarding (\$10,800 annually), training (\$7200/year) and lessons (\$15,520/year) for a total of \$33,520/year. I am using figures averaging from the last 3 years of operation.



An Eastern Shore competition facility told us that with insurance coverage:

We most likely would not be able to run a horse show series at all with a total loss of any equine related events and revenue would be lost to neighboring states who would benefit immensely. It would affect not only the venue but income loss for other businesses that support the shows like porta potty, food, bedding, ribbon manufacturers, companies that make prizes, fuel for transport to shows, etc.

A Wicomico County barn told us that without insurance:

We will be forced to close because of the fear of persons looking to bring a <u>frivolous</u> lawsuit to court with a certain confidence in collecting a settlement. Our retail buying will stop at the local feed store. We will not be buying hay, therefore farmers will not be getting my business . . . We would not be able to support the State of Maryland tourism positively because . . . our business consists of primarily tourists who are a <u>one-time clients</u>.

A Howard County lesson barn warned that without insurance:

Riding lessons will be a thing of the past which means there will be no future horse owners, trainers, farm managers, horse shippers, farriers, equine chiropractors, massage therapists, and no reason to operate a boarding barn, equine veterinary hospital, grow hay, grow oats or barley.

A licensed stable in Carroll County made similar observations:

Big boarding stables and lesson programs would need to close or risk financial ruin . . . No responsible individual is going to handle others' horses or let folks ride horses on their property without liability insurance. Additionally, without places to board their horses, people would have to sell them. This would lead to a glut of horses on the market, causing further financial hardship and lead to



many, many horses being shipped out of the state and perhaps out of the USA for slaughter. Veterinarians, farriers, equine dentists, tack shops, and dozens of other skilled service areas would suffer.

A licensed training barn in Montgomery County told us:

I have spoken to our insurance rep and she says if this bill passes all she can see coming from it is an increase in legal cases which will cause an increase in insurance rates which are already exorbitant. We are a small training/lesson barn and have barely been holding on since COVID. This would cause us serious financial distress and ultimately could lead to us shutting down.

The Maryland horse industry does so much for so many Marylanders. Twenty percent of all Marylanders participate in equine activities, and ten percent of all Marylanders spectate at equine competitions. One third of all Maryland households contain at least one horse enthusiast.

Help us preserve and grow this industry by issuing a favorable report on SB 642.

Respectfully submitted,

THE MARYLAND HORSE COUNCIL (844) MDHORSE (844-634-6773) Info@mdhorsecouncil.org

The Economic Impact of THE MARYLAND HORSE INDUSTRY

Horse Industry Wages

\$1.1 billion





Total Economic Impact

\$2.9 billion







Total Impact on GDP

\$1.77 billion



\$1.05 billion



- ~95,000 horses
- ~800 licensed stables
- ~38,000 volunteers

717,611 horse enthusiasts (30.4% of all MD households)





Thoroughbred Racing

\$591 million total impact **5,937** jobs 3 tracks 1 Triple Crown race

Recreational Riding

\$421 million total impact **4,560** jobs

10% of MD households trail ride 6% of MD households take lessons





Sport Horse Competition

\$370 million total impact **4,154** jobs

4 international competitions >11 sanctioned venues

Harness Racing

\$278 million total impact **3,616** jobs

2 tracks and 1 casino 24 stallions standing





Equine-Assisted Services

\$36 million total impact **263** jobs

67 licensed EAS operations ~335 horses in EAS use

Traditional Working Horses

\$19 million total impact **229** jobs

Amish & Mennonite communities
Draft horse pull and harness shows

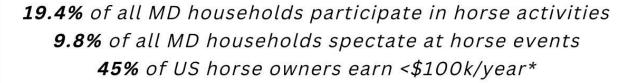




Rescues & Sanctuaries

\$3.16 million total impact **52** jobs

58 licensed rescues ~\$1.8 total wages



Median age of MD horse owners: 38
Median age of MD spectators: 26

*MD 2022 median income = \$108,200



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March 25, 2024

Maryland Senate Senator William Smith, Chair Judicial Proceedings Committee Miller Senate Office Building Annapolis, Maryland 21401

RE: Support for SB624 - Prohibited Liability Agreements - Recreational Facilities

Chairman Smith and Members of the Committees,

My name is Matt Libber, and I am the Legislative Committee Chair for the Maryland Tourism Coalition (MTC) as well as the Executive Director of the Maryland SoccerPlex in Germantown Maryland. I am writing to you today to express MTC's and the Maryland SoccerPlex's support for Senate Bill 624. The Maryland Tourism Coalition is a trade organization with members representing all areas of tourism in the State of Maryland. Our mission is to support businesses and organizations that cater to the tourism industry through education, networking, and advocacy. The Maryland SoccerPlex operates a 160-acre sports facility and provides playing opportunities for the youth of Maryland, professional sports teams and is an economic driver for Montgomery County and the State of Maryland. The law that was enacted last year that this legislation seeks to roll back has had and will continue to have a negative impact on our business. As such, MTC and the Maryland SoccerPlex ask the committees for a favorable report for this bill.

First and foremost, the legislation that was passed last year is overly broad in its language. The definitions in Section A are unclear as to what entities this bill would apply to. Section A(1) includes a circular definition in which it states that a "Recreational Facility" means a commercial recreational facility but does not define what that means. Section A (2) provided little further clarification by including only gymnasiums and swimming pools. While I concede that it is not possible or practical to list every type of entity that would be covered by this bill, it also must be conceded that the current language leaves too much interpretation and makes the bill itself unclear. The vague overly broad language of this bill will certainly lead to unintended consequences. Business that may or may not be covered by this legislation will surely see a drastic rise in insurance premiums. Insurance is currently a major expense for recreational and athletic facilities. Removing indemnity clauses for these facilities has caused the insurance underwriters to err on the side of caution and assume higher and more frequent payouts from lawsuits as a result. These higher insurance costs will cripple many recreational and athletic facilities that operate on the slimmest of margins currently.

Second, the previous law that was enacted did not distinguish between passive and active negligence. As such, contracts can include language to waive liability for simply negligence but prohibit such clauses for gross negligence, recklessness, and/or intentional misconduct. There needs to be an ability for businesses to protect themselves from simply accidents that do not rise to the definition of gross negligence.

The last issue the law enacted last year is that it should be limited to consumer contracts only and not cover commercial contracts. It is my understanding this the intent of this law is for consumer protection, where the consumer is likely not sophisticated enough, in a legal sense, to understand the indemnity



clause they are agreeing to in a contract. However, commercial contracts are between entities that should have the level of sophistication and legal review for such clauses to remain enforceable. Commercial contracts are typically between two parties that can provide sufficient legal review so that each party understands their liability risk. For example, the Maryland SoccerPlex is home to Old Glory DC Rugby. Their contract with our facility and the team included extensive review from legal counsel and both parties had the opportunity to negotiate terms of their preference. These commercial contracts are not an area where governmental intervention is needed to protect one of the parties to the agreement.

While we understand the intent of this bill is to protect consumers, we feel that there were flaws within the law that was enacted that need to be addressed. Senate Bill 642 appears to bring the original intent of this legislation, to protect consumers at trampoline parks, and remove the rest of the recreational facilities in the state from the jurisdiction of this law. This bill addresses all of our concern of the bill that was passed last session. For these reasons, the Maryland Tourism Coalition and the Maryland SoccerPlex ask the committee for a favorable report on this legislation.

Respectfully submitted,

Matt Libber Legislative Chair

Maryland Tourism Coalition

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February 5, 2024

The Honorable William C. Smith, Jr. Chair Judicial Proceedings Committee 2 East Miller Senate Office Building 11 Bladen Street Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: Senate Bill 642 - Courts - Prohibited Liability Agreements - Indoor Trampoline Parks

Dear Chair Smith and Distinquished Committee Members,

The Washington County Chamber of Commerce, on behalf of almost 675 member organizations with over 40,000 employees, supports **Senate Bill 642 – Courts - Prohibited Liability Agreements - Indoor Trampoline Parks,** and we respectfully ask you to vote in support of this legislation.

SB 642 would allow commercial recreational facilities (excluding trampoline parks) to protect themselves from negligent claims using contracts/agreements/waivers, which a business would have their customers sign to hold them harmless from liability for bodily injury.

Waivers and releases are commonly used by businesses to reduce their liability exposure and are often required to by their insurer to secure coverage. When signed by a willing and competent adult aware of the terms, these waivers are a critical part of many small business operations.

Again, the Washington County Chamber of Commerce, on behalf of our almost 675 members representing over 40,000 employees, supports **Senate Bill 642 – Courts - Prohibited Liability Agreements - Indoor Trampoline Parks,** and we respectfully ask you to vote in support of this legislation.

Please contact me at 301-739-2015, ext. 102, should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Paul Frey, IOM President & CEO

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SB642 Amendment

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BY: Senator Gallion
(To be offered in the Judicial Proceedings Committee)

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 642

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike "Indoor Trampoline Parks" and substitute "Recreational Facilities"; in line 3, strike "altering" and substitute "establishing certain exceptions to"; strike beginning with "to" in line 5 down through "facility" in line 6; and in line 7, strike "indoor trampoline parks" and substitute "recreational facilities".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1 in line 17, and on page 2 in lines 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, and 16, in each instance, strike the bracket.

On page 2, in line 4, strike "or"; in line 6, after "facility" insert "; OR

(III) AN EQUESTRIAN FACILITY";

in line 7, strike "a" and substitute ":

(1) <u>A</u>";

in line 8, after "adult" insert "; OR

(2) A RECREATIONAL FACILITY WITH FEWER THAN 50 EMPLOYEES";

in line 10, strike "AN INDOOR TRAMPOLINE PARK"; in lines 11, 12, 13, and 14, in each instance, strike "INDOOR TRAMPOLINE PARK"; and in line 16, strike "(B)".

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NFIB-Maryland – 60 West St., Suite 101 – Annapolis, MD 21401 – www.NFIB.com/Maryland

TO: Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee

FROM: NFIB – Maryland

DATE: February 11, 2025

RE: FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMNT – SENATE BILL 642 – Courts – Prohibited Liability

Agreements

Founded in 1943, NFIB is the voice of small business, advocating on behalf of America's small and independent business owners, both in Washington, D.C., and in all 50 state capitals. With more than 250,000 members nationwide, and nearly 4,000 here in Maryland, we work to protect and promote the ability of our members to grow and operate their business.

On behalf of Maryland's small businesses, NFIB supports Senate Bill 642 with an amendment that exempt recreational facilities with fewer than 50 employees from the contract provisions contained in 5–401.2 in the Courts and Judicial Proceedings article.

As the committee is aware, the General Assembly passed SB452 last session. It declared null and void any contract or agreement containing liability protection in case of bodily harm at recreational facilities.

This has put small businesses in a tough situation. Waivers and releases are frequently utilized by businesses to minimize their liability risks and may even be a requirement from insurers to obtain coverage. When signed by an informed and capable adult who understands the terms, these waivers play a crucial role in the operation of many small businesses.

We are seeing higher insurance premiums for businesses, making it harder for them to protect themselves while still offering the entertainment that residents and tourists expect.

For these reasons, NFIB requests a favorable committee report with the amendment exempting businesses with fewer than 50 employees.

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JASON C. GALLION Legislative District 35 Harford and Cecil Counties

Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee



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February 7th, 2025

The Honorable William Smith, Chair

Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee

RE: SB642 – Courts – Prohibited Liability Agreements – Indoor Trampoline Parks

Position: Favorable w/ Amendments

Dear Chairman Smith,

As SB 642 is drafted, it requires indoor trampoline parks to comply with current law prohibiting liability agreements while the rest of the businesses included under recreation facilities would be exempt. However, after consideration, I've provided two amendments for the committee to review.

The first amendment would exempt equestrian facilities from the prohibition on liability agreements, these are the only recreation facilities that have an animal involved. As you know, animals can be unpredictable, and I don't necessarily agree that these facilities should fit under the broad definition of a recreation facility. Throughout our laws, it's not uncommon for exemptions related to agriculture.

The second amendment would exempt recreation facilities that employ less than 50 people. This amendment seeks to protect the small businesses that are defined as recreation facilities. It's my understanding that as the current law is written, these businesses could be subject to a large increase in insurance premiums or must purchase insurance from the surplus market.

In closing, I would respectfully ask the committee to take a closer look at this legislation from last session and ensure that we're not leaving the small businesses affected vulnerable to unaffordable insurance premiums or costly frivolous lawsuits. With that, I ask for your favorable support with amendment(s).

Sincerely,

Jason Gallion

Senator, District 35

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Testimony of George S. Tolley III

SB 642 Courts – Prohibited Liability Agreements – Indoor Trampoline Parks

UNFAVORABLE

Dear Chairman Smith and Members of the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee:

Consumers generally will never know whether staff are properly trained or supervised, whether equipment is properly maintained, or whether facilities are safely operated. Indeed, many consumers will never know that they agreed to a liability waiver in the fine print until it is too late.

When they are enforceable, liability waivers remove incentives to exercise ordinary care, and extinguish forever a family's right to access our Courts.

Liability waivers proliferated in Maryland after a 2013 Maryland Supreme Court decision that affirmed summary dismissal of the claims of a child who suffered brain injuries after falling from play equipment onto a concrete floor. <u>BJ's Wholesale Club, Inc. v. Rosen</u>, 435 Md. 714 (2013).

The waiver in <u>BJ's Wholesale Club</u> was contained in the fine print of a subscription agreement. Companies increasingly exploit such "fine print" waivers to limit their liability for causing injury and death, such as when the Walt Disney Company notoriously sought to dismiss a food poisoning / wrongful death lawsuit based on a waiver hidden in the "Terms of Use" of its Disney + streaming service.

Last year, this Committee unanimously reported favorably on SB 452 (which passed the Senate 45-0), and it was enacted into law, declaring many liability waivers unenforceable in Maryland as a matter of public policy.

Enacting SB 452 brought Maryland into line with its southern neighbor: such waivers have been unenforceable as a matter of public policy in Virginia for over a century. *See <u>Hiett v. Lake Barcroft</u> Community Ass'n*, 244 Va. 191 (1992) (*citing Johnson v. Richmond & Danville R.R. Co.*, 86 Va. 975 (1890)).

The bill before you now, SB 642, would overturn the Legislature's actions to protect Marylanders from unscrupulous liability waivers, and allow corporations of every sort (other than "indoor trampoline parks") to use liability waivers to avoid responsibility for their negligence. Neither outdoor trampoline parks, nor other commercial recreational facilities, should be allowed to exploit fine print waivers.

From a public policy standpoint, Maryland should encourage businesses to act with reasonable care toward their customers – and not to cut corners on safety knowing that a "fine print waiver" would protect them from responsibility for injuring or killing children.

I respectfully ask for an UNFAVORABLE report on Senate Bill 642.

Judicial Proc	eedings Committee	Bill/Resolution Number:		<u>SB 452</u>	
Voting Record - 2024 Regular Session		Vote Date	e:	3/14/2024	
		Final Action:		<u>FWA</u>	
Motion:					
☐ Favorable	√ Favorable with Amendment	☐ Unfavorable	☐ Withdrawn by Sponsor		

Name	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Excused	Absent
Waldstreicher, J., Vice Chair	✓				
Sydnor, C.	✓				
West, C.	✓				
Muse, C.				✓	
Folden, W.	✓				
James, M.	✓				
Charles, N.	✓				
Kelly, A.	✓				
МсКау, М.				✓	
Carter, J.	✓				
Smith, W., Chair	✓				
Totals	9	0	0	2	0

☐ Referred to Interim - ☐ Re-referred to:

Summer Study

■ No Motion

Amendment Numbers, Consent Bill Lists, Other

Committee Reporter: 200000 & PORP

SEQ NO. 776 Calendar Date: Mar 18, 2024 3:18 (PM)

Presiding: Mr. President Legislative Date: Mar 4, 2024

Senate of Maryland 2024 Regular Sessions

SB 452 Third Reading (SB) Calendar No.73

Senator Carter

(JPR)

Courts - Prohibited Liability Agreements - Recreational Facilities

On Third Reading

45 Yeas	0 Nays	0 Not Voting	0 Excused	2 Absent
Voting Yea - 45				
Mr. President	Elfreth	Hester	Kramer	Salling
Augustine	Ellis	Hettleman	Lam	Simonaire
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Corderman	Hershey	Klausmeier	Rosapepe	Zucker

Voting Nay - 0

Not Voting - 0

Excused from Voting - 0

Excused (Absent) - 2

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