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To: Members of the House Judiciary Committee  
From: Maryland State Bar Association (MSBA)  
Subject: HB 966 - Courts - Artificial Intelligence Evidence Clinic Pilot Program - Establishment  
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Position: **Support**

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The Maryland State Bar Association (MSBA) **supports** HB 966 - Courts - Artificial Intelligence Evidence Clinic Pilot Program - Establishment. HB 966 establishes an Artificial Intelligence Evidence Clinic Pilot Program within the Administrative Office of the Courts to provide expertise in artificial intelligence to the circuit courts and the District Court in the form of expert testimony on the authenticity of electronic evidence that a court determines may have been created or altered using artificial intelligence; and authorizes the Governor, for fiscal years 2027 and 2028, to include an appropriation of \$250,000 in the annual budget bill for the Program

MSBA represents more attorneys than any other organization across the state in all practice areas. Through its advocacy committees and various practice-specific sections, MSBA monitors and takes positions on legislation that protects the legal profession, preserves the integrity of the judicial system, and ensures access to justice for Marylanders.

MSBA supports this opportunity for the courts to develop and receive expert testimony from academic and technology professionals on the authenticity of electronic evidence and specifically to address concerns over digitally created or altered electronic evidence, as these complex issues continue to increase in litigated matters. MSBA respectfully urges a **favorable report on House Bill 966**.

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