



**Caring For Maryland's Most  
Important Natural Resource™**

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*The Maryland State Child Care Association (MSCCA) is a non-profit, statewide, professional association incorporated in 1984 to promote the growth and development of child care and learning centers in Maryland. MSCCA has over 5500 members working in the field of child care/early childhood education. We believe children are our most important natural resource and work hard to advocate for children, families and for professionalism within the early childhood community.*

**Testimony: HB 185  
Submitted to: Ways and Means Committee**

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MSCCA fully supports HB to secure necessary, continued funding for this important program for child care.

The purpose of this program is to provide critical grant to child care providers specializing in health/medical- based programs in coordination with early education services.

MSCCA recommends securing the funding in the budget for these programs for the children and families who desperately need and benefit them.

MSCCA urges a favorable report.