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House Ways and Means Committee
130 Taylor House Office Building
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Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Re: House Bill 337- State Lottery Fund- Laurel Race Course- Local Impact Aid

Position: FAVORABLE

Chair Atterbeary and Members of the House Ways and Means Committee:

We are writing in support of HB 337 that would provide supplemental Local Impact Aid from State Lottery Funds for a variety of social welfare programs and services for backstretch workers at Laurel Race Course for the remaining years that thoroughbred racing and training are conducted there. The funding will assist the City of Laurel in offsetting the increased cost of assisting the vulnerable population with safe spaces, job training and personal financial training offered at the Craig A. Moe Laurel-Multiservice Center, located within a mile from Laurel Park.

For these reasons, we respectfully request a favorable report on HB 337. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Keith R. Sydnor
Mayor