



WMDA/CAR Service Station and Automotive Repair Association

Chair: Vanessa E. Atterbeary, Vice Chair Wilkins and Members of Ways and Means Committee

RE: HB 846 Transportation Access and Revenue Act

Position: Oppose

My name is Kirk McCauley, my employer is WMDA/CAR, we represent service stations convenience stores and repair facilities across the state as a non-profit trade group.

Putting a sales tax on service and car repair disproportionally affects low income consumers, who cannot afford a new car and struggle to pay for repairs.

Repair facility charges and collect tax for Maryland and then pays interchange fee on that tax as most repairs or services are paid for with credit card. If HB846 were to move on it would be another sign saying Maryland is not open for business.

Give HB 846 an unfavorable vote.

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