2/18/2025 HB1101



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

## **IN SUPPORT OF:**

HB1101 – Corporate Income Tax - Rate Reduction
(Economic Competitiveness Act of 2024)

Before:

House Ways and Means Committee
Hearing: 2/20/2025 at 1:00 PM

The Greater Ocean City Chamber of Commerce, representing more than 700 regional businesses and job creators, <u>SUPPORTS</u> House Bill HB1101 – Corporate Income Tax - Rate Reduction (Economic Competitiveness Act of 2024). This legislation would decrease the State's corporate income tax rate from 8.25% to 6.25% over 5 taxable years.

The Maryland Chamber of Commerce 2025 Competitive Redbook cites that tax competitiveness remains a significant challenge for Maryland. According to the Tax Foundation's State Business Tax Climate Index, Maryland is ranked an abysmal 45<sup>th</sup> in the nation for business tax climate. This legislation is aligned with Governor Moore's priority to make Maryland attractive for business.

The Greater Ocean City Chamber respectfully requests a **FAVORABLE REPORT for HB1101**. Please feel free to contact the Chamber directly at 410-213-0144 should you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

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