



**NURSE PRACTITIONER
Association of Maryland**

“Advocating for Maryland NPs Since 1992”

March 24, 2026

Re: Bill: HB 0753: Tax Sales – Homeowner Protections – Revisions

POSITION: Support with Amendments

Dear Chair, Vice Chair and Members of the Committee,

On behalf of the Nurse Practitioner Association of Maryland, Inc. (NPAM) representing over 8,500 Nurse Practitioners (NPs) licensed in Maryland and 850 active NPAM members, I am writing to state support for **HB 0753: Tax Sales – Homeowner Protections – Revisions** with the following amendment.

We respectfully request that provider neutral language be used in the bill and recommend that “licensed qualified healthcare provider” be used to replace “physician.”

**(3) (I) THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE CITY OR
13 THE GOVERNING BODY OF A COUNTY SHALL WITHHOLD FROM SALE THE
DWELLING
14 OF A HOMEOWNER WHO HAS A TERMINAL ILLNESS OR MEDICAL
HARDSHIP AS
15 DOCUMENTED BY A **PHYSICIAN** WHO HAS TREATED OR EXAMINED THE
HOMEOWNER.**

Nurse practitioners (NPs) are licensed and nationally certified advanced practice registered nurses, have advanced clinical training and education, and practice independently in Maryland. In both in-patient and outpatient settings, NPs participate in the healthcare team, deliver cost-effective, high-quality healthcare services to patients, and are chosen by many patients to serve as their Primary Care Provider. NPs are qualified to treat and examine patients and can diagnose terminal illness and medical hardships.

We respectfully request a favorable vote to support **HB 0753: Tax Sales – Homeowner Protections – Revisions** with the above referenced recommended amendment using provider neutral language “licensed qualified healthcare provider” which would allow Nurse Practitioners to determine terminal illness and medical hardships, and, thus, practice within their scope.

Should you have any questions feel free to contact me at NPAMexecdir@gmail.com .

Sincerely,

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