

Senator Guy Guzzone, Chair
Senator Jim Rosapepe, Vice-Chair
Budget and Taxation Committee
3 West Miller Senate Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

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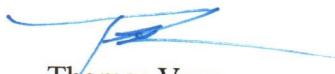
Dear Chair Guzzone, Vice Chair Rosapepe and members of the Committee,

The Ruth Enlow Library would like to add its voice in support of **SB 410**, which provides critical funds for the State Library Resource Center (SLRC), an essential partner in the operations of public libraries throughout the State.

This Library has benefited immensely from the resources SLRC has provided over the years, most of which would be out of reach for rural libraries such as ours. SLRCs support has made available research databases for our patrons that connect them to trusted information - all the more valuable in this day and age where lies are free and the truth is paywalled. The interlibrary loan services SLRC enables makes it possible for people in our communities to obtain materials smaller libraries such as ours simply wouldn't have the budget to accommodate. And the continuing education classes SLRC provides has helped Maryland's librarians become some of the best in the country and able to pursue the best new ways of making our communities more connected.

The Ruth Enlow Library supports SB 410, and hopes you will as well.

Sincerely,



Thomas Vose
Director, Ruth Enlow Library of Garrett County