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The Honorable Kriselda Valderrama
Chair, House Economic Matters Committee
230 House Office Building
6 Bladen Street
Annapolis, MD 21401

Re: HB 1100 Telecommunications Infrastructure - Protections

Dear Chair Valderrama, Vice Chair Charkoudian and Members of the Committee:

On behalf of AT&T, I am writing to express our support for HB 1100 Telecommunications Infrastructure - Protections.

Theft of telecommunications equipment is a serious issue for our company and our industry here in Maryland and around the country, so we appreciate the committee considering such critical legislation.

Maintaining uninterrupted and high-quality service for our customers is a top priority. Simply put, trespass, theft and vandalism of critical communications infrastructure are serious matters that disrupt essential services for our customers, public safety and the community at large.

Illegal removal of telecommunications equipment or cables can disrupt network operations and impact service in a community, creating significant issues for residents, businesses, law enforcement and emergency services. When these acts of theft and vandalism occur, it impacts our customers' ability to connect both wireless voice and broadband services.

When copper and telecommunications equipment or cables are stolen, the result is not merely a financial loss—it is a threat to public safety, service reliability, and economic continuity. Strengthening penalties for these offenses is a practical step to deter harmful conduct, hold repeat offenders accountable, and protect communities' access to critical communication

In closing, we respectfully request a favorable report of HB 1100. If you have any questions, please reach out to me at km572k@att.com or 202-255-7222.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Katie K. McEvoy".

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