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TO: House Economic Matters Committee

FROM: Mid-Atlantic Petroleum Distributors Association

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RE: **HOUSE BILL 344** – Business Regulation – Sale of Motor Fuel – Pricing Signage

On behalf of Maryland’s convenience stores and energy distributors, MAPDA respectfully requests an unfavorable committee report on House Bill 344.

This legislation would make a variety of changes to the state’s law regulating pricing signage at retail service stations including the ability for a station operator to promote a discounted price for customers.

MAPDA worked with the sponsor in 2024 to pass [HB882](#). That law provided added clarity to how service station operators can display credit and/or cash prices for a gallon of gas.

This bill goes much farther and undoes the work of the General Assembly on 2024’s law. House Bill 344 effectively prohibits a service station operator from advertising a “conditional price” any more prominently than a “standard price” for a gallon of gas. An example of a “conditional price” would be \$0.20 off a gallon of gas with the purchase of a carwash or a discounted price for rewards members. To that end, it is no different than a customer who receives a discount on items for being a rewards member at a grocery store.

For these reasons, MAPDA respectfully requests an unfavorable committee report on HB344.

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MAPDA is an association of convenience stores and energy distributors in Maryland, Delaware & the District of Columbia.