

HB 1411 FAV

Environment and Transportation Committee Hearing

March 10, 2026

Dear Committee Members,

I am writing to urge your support for HB1411 – Environment – Data Centers – Environmental Review and Community Transparency. This bill demands honesty and accountability by requiring environmental reviews, public disclosure, and community impact transparency before data centers move forward.

Data centers can consume massive amounts of electricity and water, generate noise and pollution, and strain local infrastructure — yet residents are frequently kept in the dark until after deals are signed. There is little notice and even less transparency to residents.

People deserve to know what is being built around them, how it will affect their health and environment, and who is profiting from it. Maryland cannot allow corporate developers to treat communities as expendable or invisible.

I urge a favorable report.

Sincerely,

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