

MD SB 106/HB183: Vehicle Laws - Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program - Repeal:
Please vote **IN SUPPORT** of this bill.

Dear Education, Energy & the Environment & Environment & Transportation
Committees:

I am writing to express my **strong support for SB 106**, which repeals Maryland's
Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program.

The emissions inspection program places a **disproportionate financial burden on working families, seniors, and small-business owners** while delivering little measurable environmental benefit. **Modern vehicles are already subject to strict federal emissions standards, and advances in automotive technology have significantly reduced emissions without the need for repeated state inspections.**

SB 106 recognizes that **costly, duplicative regulations should be eliminated when they no longer serve a clear public purpose**. The current program functions largely as a revenue-generating mandate, forcing Marylanders to pay for inspections, repairs, and compliance **without meaningful evidence that the program improves air quality**.

This bill also reflects matters of **fairness and practicality**. For many residents—especially those in rural areas or with limited transportation options—emissions testing creates unnecessary inconvenience and expense. Repealing the program respects individual responsibility while reducing regulatory overreach.

At a time when Marylanders are facing rising costs across nearly every aspect of daily life, the General Assembly should be looking for ways to **reduce unnecessary government mandates and return money to taxpayers**. **SB 106** does exactly that.

I strongly urge you to **support SB 106** and vote to repeal the Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program.

Thank you for your time and thoughtful consideration.

Respectfully,

Trudy Tibbals