

SB 189/HB 0034: Municipalities - Open Drainage Inlets - Inventory and Improvements
(Mason's Law): Please vote to **SUPPORT** this bill.

Dear Environment & Transportation Committee:

I am writing as a Mount Airy, Maryland resident to respectfully request your **strong support for SB 189/HB 0034**, also known as **Mason's Law**.

This legislation addresses a critical and often overlooked public safety issue: open and unprotected drainage inlets. These hazards pose serious risks, particularly to children, pedestrians, cyclists, and individuals with disabilities. By requiring municipalities to inventory and improve these inlets, this bill takes a proactive and preventative approach to safeguarding our communities.

Mason's Law represents a thoughtful and responsible effort to identify dangerous infrastructure and ensure appropriate safety measures are put in place. Preventing even one tragic accident is well worth the effort, and this bill provides a clear framework for doing so.

Additionally, creating an inventory of drainage inlets will help local governments better prioritize improvements and allocate resources efficiently, leading to safer and more resilient infrastructure over time.

For these reasons, I respectfully urge you to support **SB 189/HB 0034**.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this important legislation.

Respectfully,

Trudy Tibbals