
Senate Finance Committee

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**SB 905 - Maryland Technology Development Corporation - Maryland Advanced
Manufacturing Grant Program - Established**

Position: Favorable

The Maryland Association of Community Colleges (MACC), representing Maryland's 16 community colleges, strongly supports **SB 905**. Strengthening Maryland's capacity in regenerative medicine and advanced manufacturing is essential to sustaining innovation, expanding high-skill employment, and maintaining the State's competitive position in emerging industries.

The Maryland Advanced Manufacturing Grant Program provides strategic support for companies seeking to expand physical space, infrastructure, and equipment necessary for advanced production and commercialization. Targeted capital investment at this stage of growth is critical to retaining companies in Maryland and accelerating their ability to scale.

Maryland's community colleges are integral partners in the advanced manufacturing ecosystem. Community colleges educate and train the technicians, laboratory specialists, manufacturing operators, quality control professionals, and engineering technologists that regenerative medicine and advanced manufacturing companies depend on. Through credit and noncredit programs, apprenticeship models, customized employer training, and rapid credential pathways, community colleges respond directly to evolving industry skill demands.

Investment in advanced manufacturing infrastructure must be paired with investment in workforce readiness. SB 905 supports that alignment by strengthening the companies that create high-skill employment opportunities while complementing the State's workforce development efforts. As companies expand facilities and production capacity, community colleges stand ready to scale training programs that ensure Maryland residents can access these careers.

By supporting infrastructure growth in regenerative medicine and advanced manufacturing, SB 905 reinforces Maryland's innovation strategy, strengthens its economic resilience, and advances inclusive workforce development. Accordingly, MACC urges the Committee to issue a **FAVORABLE** report on **SB 905**.

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