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**Testimony in support of SB 951**

Senate Finance Committee

Dear Members of the Senate Finance Committee:

I am a resident of Montgomery County, Maryland and I am a physician specializing in anesthesiology . I am writing in support of SB 951 which supports the licensing of anesthesiology assistants in Maryland. I have worked for many years supervising anesthesiology assistants in Washington, DC. These professionals are a valued member of our team in the operating rooms. Anesthesiology assistants are currently licensed in 23 states, including Virginia and DC. They work under direct supervision of physician-anesthesiologists. If licensed in Maryland, they would provide much needed staffing and professional services to Maryland residents.

Sincerely,

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**President**

**DC Society of Anesthesiologists**