

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR TESTIMONY ON HB1191

TO: Senate Finance Committee
FROM: Maryland Department of Labor
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BILL: HB1191 Secondhand Precious Metal Object Dealers - Temporary
Event-Based Dealer Limited License - Establishment

MD LABOR POSITION: FAVORABLE

The Maryland Department of Labor respectfully submits this letter of support regarding House Bill 1191.

House Bill 1191 establishes a limited license for temporary event-based dealers of secondhand precious metal objects, allowing individuals without a fixed Maryland business address to conduct business at discrete events hosted at the locations of licensed dealers. The bill authorizes the Secretary of Labor to issue limited licenses and applies existing recordkeeping, inspection, and enforcement requirements to these licensees.

MD Labor believes the bill establishes a workable regulatory framework for temporary event-based dealers while maintaining appropriate oversight and accountability.

The Department looks forward to continuing to work with the sponsor and the Committee as House Bill 1191 moves through the legislative process.

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