



HB0641 Election Law - Curbside Voting - Pilot Program  
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### **Support As Amended**

The Arc Maryland is a statewide training, support, and advocacy organization that is dedicated to advancing and preserving the rights and quality of life of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

This bill would create a pilot program for curbside voting that is accessible for people with disabilities. It also would require policies and procedures to be developed for accessible curbside voting that provide options for people with disabilities to vote with and without assistance.

The Arc Maryland concurs with amendments shared by National Federation of the Blind that would include a requirement that some form of verification be provided to the voter when their ballot is scanned, that there are policies and procedures with terms of the chain of custody of the voted ballot, since the voter themselves will not be walking it to the scanner, and policies and procedures that protect privacy of the voter to the extent possible and with the understanding that complete privacy may not be guaranteed when there are other individuals in a vehicle while the voter casts their ballot.

We appreciate the bill sponsor for working to create a more accessible voting process for Marylanders with disabilities, older adults, and ease of voting for Marylanders who may have small children.

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