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Government, Labor, and Elections Committee
Maryland House of Delegates
145 Lowe House Office Building
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

**House Bill 1010 - Election Law - Certification of Election-Supporting Technology -
Regulations, Review, and Evaluation - FAV**

Dear Government, Labor, and Elections Committee Members:

I urge you to support **HB 1010 (SB 236)**, *Election Law - Certification of Election-Supporting Technology - Regulations, Review, and Evaluation*.

This bill would direct the State Board of Elections to certify election-supporting technology for ranked choice voting elections. As more jurisdictions explore or adopt ranked choice voting, election administrators need access to reliable tools that have been vetted at the state level.

This bill is a crucial step in ensuring Maryland can implement ranked choice voting elections that run smoothly and accurately with the right election-supporting technology to do the job.

HB1010 provides local election administrators with trusted technology, reduces administrative burdens, and reinforces Maryland's commitment to secure, transparent, and well-run elections. I wholeheartedly support election officials who work tirelessly to ensure every Marylander's vote is counted accurately and fairly.

I respectfully urge the Government, Labor, and Elections Committee to give HB1010 full consideration and a favorable report.

Sincerely,

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