



**Testimony to the Health Committee  
SB113-Human Services-Department of Aging-Commission on Aging  
(The Longevity Maryland Ready Act )**

**Position: FAV**

March 26, 2026

The Honorable Heather Bagnall, Chair  
Health Committee  
Room 240, Taylor House Office Building  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
cc: Members, Health

Chair Bagnall and Members of the Committee,

Economic Action Maryland Fund supports SB113 as amended.

Our Securing Older Adult Resources (SOAR) program has been working since 2019 to return funds to older adults pockets and pocketbooks by screening and assisting with Homeowners and Renters Tax Credits, as well as the Homestead Tax Credit. SOAR staff also provide outreach and training to older adults on consumer scams, elder fraud and exploitation, as well as digital privacy.

In the past six years, our SOAR team has returned more than \$6,700,000 in tax credits to low-income homeowners and tenants. We appreciate the effort to fully implement the Longevity Maryland plan, particularly the goals of promoting economic security and preparing individuals to afford longevity.

We are pleased to see that, as amended, the Commission on Aging includes a representative with expertise in consumer protection and we also support the addition of a veteran to the commission.

We support the goals and work of Longevity Maryland and as amended, ask for a favorable report.

Best,

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*Economic Action (formerly the Maryland Consumer Rights Coalition) champions economic rights and housing justice through advocacy, research, consumer education, and direct service. Our 12,500 supporters include consumer advocates, practitioners, and low-income and working families throughout Maryland.*

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