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**TO:** Members of the Health Committee

**FROM:** Nina Themelis, Director, Mayor's Office of Government Relations

**RE:** Senate Bill 119 – State Board of Environmental Health Specialists - Sunset Extension

**POSITION: Favorable**

Chair Bagnall, Vice Chair Cullison, and Members of the Committee, please be advised that the Baltimore City Administration (BCA) **supports** Senate Bill (SB) 119.

SB 119 is a sunset extension of the State Board of Environmental Health Specialists (Board). The extension will allow the Board to stay active through 2032.

The role of the Board of Environmental Health Specialists is vital in supporting the protection of the public's health. The Board provides license standards for all Environmental Health Specialists, who do the important task of conducting inspections of food facilities, tattoo establishments, and aquatic facilities, and investigate nuisance complaints and vector control concerns. In order to maintain these license standards that protect the public's health, Baltimore City **supports** the extension of the Board through SB 119.

For these reasons, the BCA respectfully requests a **favorable** report on SB 119.