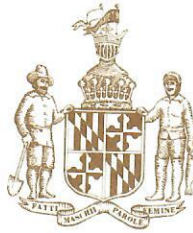


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ST. MARY'S COUNTY DELEGATION

February 5, 2026

The Honorable Jheanelle Wilkins, Chair
House Ways and Means Committee
Room 130, House Office Building
6 Bladen Street
Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: HB610 St. Mary's County - Gaming by Qualified Organization - License Required

Dear Chair Wilkins, Vice-Chair Feldmark and Committee Members:

The St. Mary's County Delegation supports HB610 St. Mary's County - Gaming by Qualified Organization - License Required with amendment HB0610/123222/1 unanimously with a vote of three (Yea) to (0) Nea.

The bill is necessary to create gaming licensing in St. Mary's County for qualified charitable organizations. Currently, no gaming license exists in St. Mary's County; therefore, there is not any accountability for organization which choose to purchase machines and no records to for the Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Agency to use to verify when visiting a charitable organization operating gaming machine. This bill creates that license in St. Mary's County.

The amendment adds language which makes it clear that the license is intended for gaming machines and not raffle events.

We ask for the committee's consideration of this bill and a FAVORABLE report.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Todd B. Morgan".

Todd B. Morgan
Chair, St. Mary's County Delegation