



February 21, 2017

The Honorable Anne R. Kaiser  
Ways and Means Committee  
Room 131, House Office Building  
Annapolis, MD 21401 – 1912

**Re: HB 639** – Corporate Income Tax – Throwback Rule – **Oppose**

Dear Delegate Kaiser,

House Bill 639 would require that specified sales of tangible personal property be attributed to the State corporate income tax calculation for apportionment purposes. It would apply specifically if the corporation sale is not taxable in the state of the purchaser. It would apply the Act to taxable years after 2016.

The bill will increase the complexity of the corporate tax calculations for multistate corporations. This would discourage multi state corporations from doing business in the state. The Legislative Committee of the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce opposes this bill.

We believe House Bill 639 is a step in the wrong direction towards fostering a more attractive climate for business in our state.

The state of Maryland is at a critical juncture as the competition to attract new business and individuals is increasing. Moreover, the move toward increased regulation has had a negative impact on our business climate. We need to reverse this cycle for the future generations of Marylanders or we continue to lose both residents and businesses and at the same time become unattractive to those who are looking reside in Maryland

We therefore ask that your committee consider the negative impact of House Bill 639 and give this bill an unfavorable report.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Mike McMullin'.

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