

February 21, 2018

The Honorable Thomas M. Middleton Finance Committee 3 East, Miller Senate Office Building Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: SB 1019 – Labor and Employment – State Minimum Wage Rate – Increase – Oppose

Dear Senator Middleton:

This bill would simply lengthen the time it takes for small businesses to reach \$15.00 an hour minimum wage.

As with the many other bills seeking to increase the state's minimum wage, the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce, a business advocacy organization of over 600 members, opposes this bill and therefore requests that you give it an unfavorable report.

Sincerely,

Mike McMullin

President

Carroll County Chamber of Commerce

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CC: Senator Justin Ready

Delegate Haven Shoemaker