



February 2, 2018

The Honorable Joan Carter Conway  
Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee  
2 West, Miller Senate Office Building  
Annapolis, MD 21401

**RE: SB 0651 – Environment - Expanded Polystyrene Food Service Products – Prohibition – Oppose**

Dear Senator Conway:

Senate Bill 0651 would prohibit polystyrene products statewide which would do nothing but harm businesses. Polystyrene is a cost effective product that has been used in the country for decades. It has been scientifically evaluated by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and is safe.

The Carroll County Chamber of Commerce opposes any legislation that creates significant cost increases and job loss though the unilateral prohibition of longstanding, common practices used by existing businesses in the state.

The Carroll County Chamber of Commerce, a business advocacy organization of over 600 members, opposes this Bill and asked that you give it an unfavorable report.

Sincerely,

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

Mike McMullin  
President  
Carroll County Chamber of Commerce

CC: Senator Justin Ready  
Delegate Haven Shoemaker