

January 28, 2019

The Honorable Paul G. Pinsky Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee 2 West, Miller Senate Office Building Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: SB 0285 – Environment - Expanded Polystyrene Food Service Products – Prohibition – Oppose

Dear Senator Pinsky:

Senate Bill 0285 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,

Mike McMullin

President

Carroll County Chamber of Commerce

CC: Senator Justin Ready

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Delegate Haven Shoemaker