

February 22, 2019

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

RE: HB 1139 – Corporate Income Tax - Rate Reduction – Support

Dear Delegate Kaiser:

House Bill 1139 would provide a gradual reduction in the corporate income tax rates over time.

The Carroll County Chamber of Commerce, a business advocacy organization of over 600 members, supports this bill as it will allow businesses to retain more of their revenue to invest in capital and employees, especially given the fact that the predominant number of businesses are small businesses. If businesses are expected to be partners in maintaining the quality of life in Maryland, they need the funding to be able to do that.

The Carroll County Chamber of Commerce requests that your Committee give this bill a favorable report.

Sincerely,

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Mike McMullin President Carroll County Chamber of Commerce

CC: Delegate Haven Shoemaker Senator Justin Ready