

February 22, 2020

The Honorable Guy Guzzone Budget and Taxation Committee 3 West, Miller Senate Office Building Annapolis, MD 21401

Re: SB 0887 – Property Tax Credit – Business Entities – State of Emergency – Support

Dear Senator Guzzone:

Senate Bill 0887 would grant Baltimore City and all counties the authority to grant a tax credit against local corporate property tax imposed on real or personal property owned or leased by a business entity affected by a state of emergency, applying to taxable years beginning after June 30, 2021.

The effect of the current state of emergency has had on business is well documented. Any avenue that provides some measure of relief for businesses affected by this or future states of emergency would be welcome and much needed.

The Carroll County Chamber of Commerce, a business advocacy organization of over 600 members, strongly supports this bill and asks that you give it a favorable report.

Sincerely,

Mike McMullin

President

Carroll County Chamber of Commerce

CC: Senator Justin Ready

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Delegate Haven Shoemaker