

February 24, 2025

Ways and Means Committee Delegate Vanessa E. Atterbeary Room 131 House Office Building Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Re: HB 231 – Constitutional Amendment - Fee or Tax Rate Increases - Yea and Nay Vote of General Assembly Required (Taxpayer Disclosure and Protection Act) - **Support**

Dear Delegate Atterbeary:

HB0231 would require legislators to present increases in State fees and Tax rates to the General Assembly for an up or down vote. This would ensure that all increases are required to be voted by the General Assembly. We view this as a positive move that would attract more business to Maryland and reduce tax burden on current resident corporations.

The Carroll County Chamber of Commerce, a business advocacy organization of nearly 700 members, supports this bill. We therefore request that you give this bill a favorable report.

Sincerely,

Mike McMullin

President

Carroll County Chamber of Commerce

CC: Delegate Chris Tomlinson

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Senator Justin Ready