

February 12, 2025

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

Re: HB0846 - Transportation Access and Revenue Act - Oppose

Dear Delegate Atterbeary:

We believe HB 0846 unfairly raises costs for too narrow an audience and further begins taxing services that were not previously taxed. While this does tax electricity for electric car charging stations, electric cars continue to pay too little into the transportation fund to offset their use of public roads and the carbon footprint from production and disposal of electric car components.

We believe that this bill will raise costs, reduce competitiveness, reduce profits and further cause inflation at a time where the economy is very sensitive to inflation. Further, this bill will discourage businesses from starting or moving to Maryland, a state that continues to be ranked very poorly for businesses.

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

Sincerely,

Mike McMullin President

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CC: Delegate Chris Tomlinson

Senator Justin Ready