

February 2, 2022

The Honorable Kumar P. Barve  
Room 251, House Office Building  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Email: [AA\\_ENT@mlis.state.md.us](mailto:AA_ENT@mlis.state.md.us)

Re: HB0371 – Environment – Salt Applicator Certification Program - Establishment

Dear Chairman Barve:

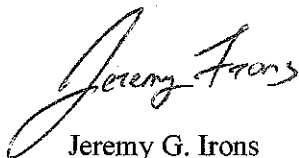
The Allegany County Chamber of Commerce respectfully requests the Finance Committee give an **Unfavorable Report** to House Bill 0371 – Environment – Salt Applicator Certification Program – Establishment.

It is the position of our Chamber to oppose bills which disproportionately may affect this part of the State of Maryland, particularly through the creation or expansion of programs that target small businesses. The small businesses that provide salt application services will be faced with fees, lost revenue for training, and additional expenses for recordkeeping and reporting, none of which can be passed on to customers, and Western Maryland will be greatly impacted given our winter weather occurrences as compared to other parts of the state.

On behalf of the small businesses that will be most affected by the proposed certification program in HB371, we respectfully request an **unfavorable report**.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Jeremy G. Irons  
Legislative Committee Chair



Juli R. McCoy  
Executive Director

cc: Honorable Dana Stein, Vice Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee  
Environment and Transportation Committee Members  
Western Maryland Delegation