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HB 460 - St. Mary's County - Vehicle Laws - Prohibition on Roadway Solicitations

SUPPORT

February 4, 2025

The Honorable Marc Korman, Chairman
Environment and Transportation Committee
Room 251, House Office Building
6 Bladen Street
Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: HB 460 - St. Mary's County - Vehicle Laws - Prohibition on Roadway Solicitations


Dear Chairman Korman:

The Commissioners of St. Mary's County **SUPPORT House Bill 460 - St. Mary's County - Vehicle Laws - Prohibition on Roadway Solicitations** which is being heard in the Environment and Transportation Committee.

A number of other counties – including neighboring Calvert and Charles – have identical legislation on roadside solicitations. After careful consideration, and after the urging of many of our citizens, the Commissioners of St. Mary's County ask that Transportation Article § 21-507(c) be extended to St. Mary's County as well. In light of rising traffic and the concomitant increase in the possibility of vehicular and pedestrian safety incidents, we feel it is necessary for reasons of public safety to address the issue of solicitation in roadways in this manner.

We request a favorable report on House Bill 460. We support the introduction of this legislation and believe it would benefit the citizens of St. Mary's County. Thank you for your consideration and your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,
COMMISSIONERS OF ST. MARY'S COUNTY


James Randy Guy, President

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Delegate Brian Crosby

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