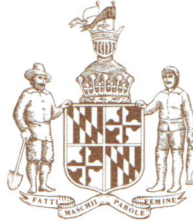


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**HB 1181 – Property Tax – Tax Sales – Data Collection**  
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Members of the Ways & Means Committee, I urge that you give favorable consideration to my bill, **HB 1181** that would require data collection related to tax sales. Specifically, SDAT would be required to conduct an annual tax sale survey as well as report on the activities of the Tax Sale Ombudsman at the State Department of Assessment and Taxation (SDAT).

Regarding the tax sale information, SDAT would work with the local jurisdictions to collect a large array of data. I believe the data collection will not be difficult given MACO's ability to share these data last year by request.

Thank you for your consideration.