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Senate Bill - 591 - Bureau of Revenue Estimates - Tax Incidence Study - Scope
Senate Budget and Taxation Committee
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Position: SUPPORT

Good afternoon Chairman Guzzone, Vice Chairman Rosapepe, and distinguished members of the committee. It is my pleasure to testify today in **support of Senate Bill 591 – Bureau of Revenue Estimates – Tax Incidence Study - Scope.**

Senate Bill 591, expands the scope of an existing tax incidence study that the Bureau of Revenue Estimates (BRE) must submit to the Governor and General Assembly by including toll charges imposed by the State. The purpose of the study is to get a better understanding of the tax burden on Maryland individuals and families, that without this legislation is not available.

This legislation would study and report on the tax burden on income tax, the motor fuel tax, the real property tax, and the sales and use tax. The study must include the aggregate impact of the taxes and charges among taxpayers of different income levels. In order to better understand how taxes impact Maryland families it is important to obtain this data

For these reasons, I urge a favorable report on Senate Bill 591. Thank you for your kind consideration.