



Maryland
Hospital Association

February 24, 2021

To: The Honorable Dereck E. Davis, Chair, House Economic Matters Committee

Re: Letter of Support- House Bill 1210- Corporate Diversity - Board, Executive Leadership, and Mission

Dear Chair Davis:

On behalf of the Maryland Hospital Association's (MHA) 60 member hospitals and health systems, we appreciate the opportunity to comment in support of House Bill 1210. Last June, MHA's Executive Committee adopted a [Commitment to Racial Equity](#), which is attached to this letter. In this statement, the Executive Committee asks the association, hospitals, and health systems to "change the make-up of governing boards and leadership staffs to reflect the diversity of the community." This is a priority of not only the association, but all Maryland hospitals and health systems.

The hospital field is working toward health equity by backing legislative initiatives and reviewing and advancing internal operational initiatives to address disparities.

Hospitals want to lead and partner to address chronic and systemic racism and look forward to working with the Speaker and the Committee on this important legislation.

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