



**Testimony in Support of
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On behalf of the Chesapeake Climate Action Network Action Fund, I strongly urge a favorable report on SB 0221.

The Maryland legislature has worked hard to enact good laws to protect waterways in Maryland. These laws and all the work that legislatures have given to creating those laws will not mean anything if the laws are not being enforced. This legislation will simply allow the AG of Maryland to enforce the laws on the book.

As the climate warms, storms become more intense, and wetland habitats are more in danger, the ability to sue the violators of waterway pollution regulation will become more important.

Best,
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