

**(SEN) HB960 - Frederick County Delegation Letter o**

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March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Chair Smith and Vice Chair Waldstreicher,

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Sincerely,

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Del. Jesse T. Pippy – Chair

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Sen. William Folden – Vice Chair

# **HB 960 Assignment of Offenders to Road Work - Repe**

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## Frederick County Delegation – Voting List

Date: 1/26/2024

Item: LR1859

Motion: Fair

Seconded: Kerr

Description: Motion to support LR1859 as a Frederick County Delegation Bill

| Name                | Yea | Nay | Abstain | Absent |
|---------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| Chair Pippy         | x   |     |         |        |
| Vice Chair Folden   | x   |     |         |        |
| Delegate Bouchat    | x   |     |         |        |
| Delegate Ciliberti  |     |     |         | x      |
| Senator Corderman   | x   |     |         |        |
| Delegate Fair       | x   |     |         |        |
| Delegate Kerr       | x   |     |         |        |
| Senator Lewis-Young | x   |     |         |        |
| Delegate Miller     | x   |     |         |        |
| Senator Ready       | x   |     |         |        |
| Delegate Rose       | x   |     |         |        |
| Delegate Simpson    | x   |     |         |        |
| Delegate Tomlinson  | x   |     |         |        |
| Delegate Valentine  | x   |     |         |        |
| Delegate Wivell     |     |     |         | x      |
| <b>FINAL VOTE</b>   | 13  | 0   | 0       | 2      |

# **HB 960 Frederick - Assignment of Offenders to Road**

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**HB 0960, FAV, OCE Testimony, JF, LS24, JPR.pdf**

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**FREDERICK COUNTY GOVERNMENT**  
**OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

Jessica Fitzwater  
*County Executive*

**HB 960 - City of Frederick - Assignment of Offenders to Road Work - Repeal**

**DATE:** March 21, 2024  
**COMMITTEE:** Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee  
**POSITION:** Favorable  
**FROM:** The Office of Frederick County Executive Jessica Fitzwater

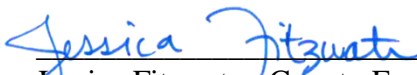
As the County Executive of Frederick County, I urge the committee to give HB 960 - City of Frederick - Assignment of Offenders to Road Work - Repeal a favorable report.

This bill will repeal a provision of law requiring a District Court judge to assign, if practicable, an offender to work the public roads of Frederick County or the City of Frederick as a penalty for a violation of a municipal law or ordinance of the City of Frederick.

Neither Frederick County nor the City of Frederick currently use this provision to assign offenders to work on public roads and the option to do so reflects an outdated ordinance with origins in the Jim Crow era. Passing legislation such as HB 960 helps us rid our county and state annotated codes from the systemic racism and classism woven into them.

My legislative team has consulted the County Public Works Division, the Frederick County Sheriff's Office, and the City of Frederick and concluded that the passage of this bill will not negatively impact any public services at the County or City level.

Thank you for your consideration of HB 960. I urge you to advance this bill with a favorable report.

  
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Jessica Fitzwater, County Executive  
Frederick County, MD



# **2024 HB960 Support Road Crews Repeal (JPR).pdf**

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# FREDERICK

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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March 20, 2024

Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee

Re: HB0960 – City of Frederick – Assignment of Offenders to Road Work - Repeal

Dear Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee,

Please accept this letter of support for HB960 which will repeal the assignment of offenders to road work in Frederick County or The City of Frederick.

This bill will rescind an archaic Jim Crow era provision that requires a District Court judge to assign, if practicable, an offender to public road work duty in Frederick County or the City of Frederick as a penalty for a violation of a municipal law or ordinance of The City of Frederick.

This outdated legislation, which existed to continue the practice of indentured servitude, has not been used by The City of Frederick for many years and does not currently serve a purpose in its current form or represent the values of The City of Frederick. Repealing this legislation continues our endeavors to rid ourselves of past laws and ordinances steeped in racist ideologies.

The passage of this bill has no negative impacts of any services in The City of Frederick. Thank you for your consideration of this bill and I look forward to its passage.

Sincerely,

Michael O'Connor,

Mayor