St. Mary's County Government

COMMISSIONERS OF ST. MARY'S COUNTY



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House Bill 634

Association Health Coverage Plans

Hearing: March 11, 2021

SUPPORT WITH AMENDMENT

March 9, 2021

The Honorable Shane E. Pendergrass, Chairman Health and Government Operations Committee Room 241, House Office Building 6 Bladen Street Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Chairman Pendergrass:

The Commissioners of St. Mary's County **SUPPORT WITH AMENDMENT** HB 634 – Association Health Coverage Plans which is being heard in the Health and Government Operations Committee on March 11, 2021. The Commissioners of St. Mary's County support the request of the St. Mary's County Farm Bureau to amend the bill so that the Maryland Farm Bureau will be added to the Chamber of Commerce for purposes of group health insurance as an eligible entity to offer association health coverage plans.

We support the introduction of this legislation with amendment and urge a favorable with amendments report. We believe this legislation would benefit the citizens of St. Mary's County. Thank you for your consideration, as well as your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

COMMISSIONERS OF ST. MARY'S COUNTY

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