



**Maryland Chamber of Commerce**

## **Legislative Position**

**SB 622  
SUPPORT**

**Budget &  
Taxation  
Committee  
3/16/09**

### **SB 622**

#### **Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement**

**Bill Summary:** This bill would move Maryland closer to final adoption of the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement by repealing a federal legislation contingency and requiring the Comptroller to draft implementing legislation and regulations by October 1, 2009.

**Chamber Position:** The Maryland Chamber supports this bill. We continue to believe that Maryland businesses will benefit from the nationwide development of simplified and consistent sales tax practices among the states. Companies will be able to rely on software that will reflect consistent definitions of taxable activities and sourcing rules, while assisting in tax compliance. Maryland-based businesses will also be able to better compete on a level playing field as sales from the Internet and mail order companies will be more likely to pay the state sales tax. We encourage Maryland to take this next step toward implementation of the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement.

For these reasons, the Maryland Chamber urges that this bill be given a favorable report.

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