



Date: February 5, 2026

Education, Energy, and Environmental Committee
Senator Brian J. Feldman
Miller Senate Office Building
11 Bladen Street
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Re: SB 0054 – State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners - Grounds for Disciplinary Action – Restrictions - Support

Dear Senator Feldman:

SB 55 would remove the restrictions on veterinarians and staff for discussing or recommending the use of cannabis or a product that contains cannabidiol on an animal for potential therapeutic effect or health supplementation purposes.

Many pet owners choose or would like to administer these products to their pets. The current restriction often creates a vacuum of information, leaving owners to rely on unverified online or word of mouth sources. Products claiming to be CBD Oil are easily available online and in easily accessible locations, such as convenience stores, with no truly expert advice on effectiveness or safety.

Allowing veterinarians to discuss this topic with their clients, and especially to note both the advantages and dangers, makes sense and should be permissible without being concerned about being penalized in some manner by the veterinary board.

The Carroll County Chamber of Commerce, a business advocacy organization of nearly 700 members, supports this bill. We therefore request that you give this bill a favorable report.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike McMullin".

Mike McMullin
President
Carroll County Chamber of Commerce

CC: Delegate Chris Tomlinson
Senator Justin Ready