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RE: **SUPPORT** – House Bill 357 – *Vehicle Laws – Prohibition Against Smoking in Vehicle Containing Young Child*

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On behalf of MedChi, the Maryland State Medical Society (MedChi) and the Maryland Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics (MDAAP), we support House Bill 357.

House Bill 357 seeks to prevent children from being exposed to smoke in automobiles. Secondhand smoke in automobiles can be particularly concentrated and the long term health consequences for children profound. MedChi and MDAAP strongly support all efforts to reduce the exposure of children to secondhand smoke. House Bill 357, if enacted, will eliminate a particularly harmful source of exposure.

MedChi and MDAAP strongly support the passage of House Bill 357.

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