



Peter Franchot

## *Media Advisory*

### **Comptroller Franchot to Join Craft Brewers Today at Rally, Will Testify Against HB1283 on Wednesday**

**WHO:** Comptroller Peter Franchot

**WHAT:** Deeply concerned about legislation that would devastate Maryland's thriving craft beer industry which is a major source of jobs, economic growth and tax revenue in the state, Comptroller Franchot will participate in a rally Tuesday evening with brewers and beer enthusiasts ahead of a Senate committee hearing on Wednesday.

The rally to stop or amend HB1283 will be held at 6 p.m. Tuesday at Key Brewing Company in Dundalk, with remarks from Comptroller Franchot and the Brewers Association of Maryland. Attendees will be encouraged to email or call their representatives to urge them to amend the bill so it supports the craft beer industry.

On Wednesday, the Comptroller will testify before the Senate Education, Health and Environmental Affairs Committee in opposition to HB1283 in its current form. As it stands, the legislation would curtail tap room hours, restrict collaboration between breweries and otherwise impede the industry's growth.

**WHEN &**

**WHERE:** **Tuesday, March 28, 2017**  
**6 p.m.**  
Key Brewing Company  
2500 Grays Road  
Dundalk, MD 21222

**Wednesday, March 29, 2017**  
**1 p.m.**  
Senate EHEA Committee – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor West  
11 Bladen Street  
Annapolis, MD 21401

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