

## **Veteran Compost**

### **House Committee on Environment & Transportation**

#### **Testimony for HB 1349 – Environment – Compostable, Degradable, and Biodegradable Plastic Products – Labeling Support**

Esteemed Members of the Environment & Transportation Committee,

I would like to inform you that Veteran Compost is in support of **HB 1349** and any efforts to eliminate falsely labeled compostable items. Having to remove non-compostable items from our material has cost Veteran Compost tens of thousands of dollars each year in labor and disposal costs. We believe it is also unethical and misleading for people to sell these items to Maryland consumers.

Passing **HB 1349** would reduce the burden on our company to deal with non-compostable wastes and allow us to use that money to grow our business in Maryland.

Veteran Compost is a veteran-owned business focused on turning food scraps into high quality organic compost in Maryland, DC and Virginia. We provide food scrap collection, finished compost, and a host of other great products.

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