HOUSE BILL 52

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By: Delegate Wilson

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A BILL ENTITLED

1	AN ACT concerning
2 3	General Provisions - Commemorative Days - Foster Youth Legislative Shadow Days
4	FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor annually to proclaim certain days as Foster
5	Youth Legislative Shadow Days; and generally relating to Foster Youth Legislative
6	Shadow Days.
7	BY renumbering
8	Article – General Provisions
9	Section 7–402 through 7–417, respectively
10	to be Section 7–403 through 7–418, respectively
11	Annotated Code of Maryland
12	(2014 Volume and 2017 Supplement)
13	BY adding to
14	Article – General Provisions
15	Section 7–402
16	Annotated Code of Maryland
17	(2014 Volume and 2017 Supplement)
18	Preamble
19	WHEREAS, The members of the Maryland General Assembly recognize that foster
20	youth are some of the State's most precious, valuable, and vulnerable citizens; and
21	WHEREAS, The purpose of Foster Youth Legislative Shadow Days is to connect
$\frac{-}{22}$	current and former foster youth with a State legislator to educate the current and former
23	foster youth on the legislative process; and
24	WHEREAS, The legislators would spend those days mentoring the current and



- 1 former foster youth and helping shape the impression that the youth have of themselves;
- 2 and
- WHEREAS, This process connects legislators to the youth whom the legislators impact directly and indirectly; now, therefore,
- 5 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
- 6 That Section(s) 7–402 through 7–417, respectively, of Article General Provisions of the
- 7 Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 7–403 through 7–418,
- 8 respectively.
- 9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read 10 as follows:
 - Article General Provisions
- 12 **7–402.**

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- THE GOVERNOR ANNUALLY SHALL PROCLAIM THE SECOND WEDNESDAY AND
 THURSDAY IN FEBRUARY AS FOSTER YOUTH LEGISLATIVE SHADOW DAYS.
- SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 16 October 1, 2018.