



February 24, 2020

Delegate Anne R. Kaiser, Chair
Delegate Alonzo T. Washington, Vice Chair
Room 131
House Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Chair Kaiser and Vice Chair Washington,

I am writing to you in support of House Bills HB1345 and HB1346.

My name is Jason McKay, and I am the Chairman and CEO at AllPlayers Network, Rank One Sport, and Rank One Health. Rank One Health has been providing athletic logistics and administrative software for the past 12 years. With our software, youth sports programs and schools are able to immediately document a student's sports injury, coordinate care for the student with his or her preferred doctors and track the follow up care the student receives that will affect his or her return to school and sports. The software allows seamless communication between the school, the medical providers and the athlete's caretakers in a full compliance with HIPAA and FERPA. Our solution can also provide sideline consultation with medical experts via video conference to drastically reduce a student's time to care when every minute counts. Nationally, we are deployed in over 3,280 schools in 25 states and process over 3 million athlete records annually. This experience has allowed us to have assembled the largest known pediatric sports database in the country, approximately 11 times larger than any other. We have seen the uptick in sports injuries nationally across all genders, all ages, and all sports. We are committed to helping states keep their youth athletes healthy and safe.

Parents, teachers, coaches, and administrators devote their lives and livelihoods to ensuring students receive the best educational and extracurricular resources – but for students to achieve excellence in school and sports, they must first be healthy. To this end we support HB1345 in its goals to standardize youth athletes return to play and return to learn protocol in addition to tracking the compliance of youth sports coaches to be aware of these protocols to ensure athlete's safety.

In addition, I want to not only express our support for HB1346 and the creation of a Youth Sports Safety Advisory Commission with the goal of maximizing safety for young athletes, but to offer my company's resources to ensure the success of the state in reaching their goal, at minimal financial burden to the state. With our acquired national youth sports injury data, we

can partner with the State of Maryland to ensure that they are equipped to begin collection of data regarding injuries occurring during youth sports as well as compiling the report on the findings for use by the Commission. Our software solution would also create a single system of reporting injury data directly to the state. Because our software is already HIPPA and FERPA compliant, Maryland can offer their constituents peace of mind that their athletes' personal and medical data will be protected and safe.

We wholeheartedly believe that every state should be committing to tracking youth injury data for the safety of every young athlete, and we do not believe that states should be limited by anticipated budgetary constraints to begin collecting this essential data. We are committed to working with the state to ensure that they are empowered to maintain youth athlete data within the budget they have available for the task.

If I or my companies can be of further assistance, I can be reached through Terri Lakowski at tlakowski@activepolicysolutions.com.

Sincerely,

Jason McKay
Chairman and CEO
AllPlayers Network, Rank One Sport, and Rank One Health