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The Honorable Will Smith, Chair and Members of the Judicial Proceedings Committee

RE: SB 752 – Public Safety – Use of Force Incident Reports

POSITION: OPPOSE, IN PART

The MTA opposes in part HB 1044 Use of Force Incident Reports.

The Maryland State Police already requires Use of Force Reports to be prepared in every situation where force is used. A uniform process for such reports would be agreeable. However, requiring the officer to include the race, ethnicity, gender, age, and disability of the officer and suspect is not appropriate or always feasible. That information may not be available and should not be included in a way that could bring punitive action simply because of the individual's race, ethnicity, gender, age or disability.

We request an unfavorable report of SB 752.

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