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To Whom It May Concern,

I am adamantly OPPOSED to HB0832.

The proposed council has NO accountability to the homeschool community whatsoever. It is an UNELECTED entity answerable only to itself. HB832 makes it far too easy for MD State Department of Education (MSDE) to choose to ignore the voices of all homeschoolers except those on the council. HB832 will allow non-homeschooling groups such as teachers unions to obtain control over how homeschooling families teach and meet the needs of their own children. Homeschoolers have no veto power over council actions or decisions. The bill gives homeschoolers no method of removing council members whose actions jeopardize HS freedoms.

OPPOSED to HB0832. This bill is UNWANTED and NOT NEEDED by the homeschooling community in Maryland.

Sincerely,

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