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This letter is my testimony of HB0618.

Parental rights cannot be removed in our school district or by any members of any state committee. The Board of Education members should have ZERO say/authority in what a parent chooses for their own child wellbeing.

School boards should NEVER withhold ANY information relating to a child's health or wellbeing from the child's parent or guardian.

School boards must require each county board to establish and adopt a certain policy regarding the promotion of parent involvement in the public school system.

Each County board must provide a summary of curriculum information to parents or guardians by a certain time and in a certain manner.

The State of Maryland shall require the State to give a parent the opportunity to be tried before a jury before terminating the parent's rights; providing that certain parental rights are reserved to the parents and guardians of minor children in the State and prohibiting the State and other governmental entities from infringing on those rights. Under special circumstances, I understand that requiring a health care practitioner or the owner of a health care facility or certain employees to obtain the consent, at all times, of a minor's parent or guardian before providing or soliciting or arranging to provide certain health care services or prescribing certain drugs to a minor.

It is crucial that Parental Rights remain and are not taken away by the School Board. Schools preferred policies should never come between a parents right, their God given right, to parent as they choose. Many parents hold sincere religious beliefs, which flows down in their parenting style, again, it's the parents CHOICE, not the board.

Thank you for your time and I pray you make the right choices for the future of Maryland.

Sincerely,

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