

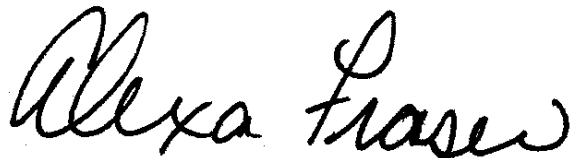
Submission in support of [HB0274](#) "Task Force on Reducing Emergency Department Wait Times,"

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I support [HB0274](#) "Task Force on Reducing Emergency Department Wait Times." It simply calls for research into our state's poor performance on Emergency Room Wait times.

I was formerly a data analyst and hold a PhD in Environmental Science. As such, I know that when something isn't going well (can anyone think that 4 hours average time for ER waits is going well?) one collects data to discover why. This reasonable bill, with its analytic approach to the issue is spot on to ultimately address an issue of concern.

I am now a minister. I support my congregants through medical suffering regularly. I have served as a chaplain in two Maryland Hospitals. I have personally waited in ER waiting rooms. I know that people need help when they go to the ER and waiting is hard. Lets learn why Maryland's performance is sub-par and then figure out what to do about that.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alexa Fraser". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.