

**Witness:** Jean Miceli Benhoff  
**Jurisdiction:** Baltimore County  
**Bill:** HB0119 Health Education  
**Position:** OPPOSED

I respectfully suggest to you, the MD Legislature, that requiring every jurisdiction all 24 of them, to follow the proposed "health" education framework that was created to indoctrinate our children and rob parents of the responsibility and joy of raising their own children with the values and morals of their family and of their faith, whatever faith they choose to live under in our free country of United States.

**Further:**

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Decisions such as indoctrinating children to gender studies, oral sex, AIDs and more is just chasing children into private and Christian schools or frankly parents to move south to moderate states. This then causes loss of funding and frankly hurts the hundreds of thousands children in MD public schools.

**Further:**

This bill makes mandatory to inflict the values of the STATE of Maryland, Howard, Montgomery and Prince Georges on the rest of the 21 traditional jurisdictions of Maryland. The text and the terminology of this HB0119 as written, is misleading . As I have read the attached "framework".

[https://marylandpublicschools.org/about/Documents/DCAA/Health/Health\\_Education\\_Framework\\_July\\_2022.pdf](https://marylandpublicschools.org/about/Documents/DCAA/Health/Health_Education_Framework_July_2022.pdf)

**Your plan hurts all Maryland students:**

<https://bestneighborhood.org/conservative-vs-liberal-map-maryland/>

Only a 3-4 jurisdictions in Maryland would ever agree with this bill HB0119 if they knew the details you have in this indoctrination *FRAMEWORK*.

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**Maryland's 2021 public school enrollment of 853,307 is its lowest since 2015.** Since 2000, public school enrollment peaked in 2003 at 847,722 and declined every year for the next five years until 2008 (816,963), those declines were due mostly to smaller cumulative birth cohorts<sup>1</sup> as well as strong domestic out-migration in the early and middle part of the 2000s that were not fully compensated for by gains from immigration. The recent decline in public school enrollment is mainly due to COVID-19 and increased home-schooling of students.

**Thus:**

**This proposed bill HB0041 is immoral, oppressive to most of Maryland's families and beliefs. This is unacceptable and horrific legislation. Do NOT move HB0119 to committee and I strongly urge you to immediately withdraw HBO119.**