

January 26, 2024

TO: Honorable Benjamin S. Barnes and Honorable Mark S. Chang  
RE: HB 98

Dear Chairman Barnes and Vice Chairman Chang:

Good afternoon, my name is Bruce Denhart. I live in College Park; MD and I am Deaf/Low Vision.

I am here in support of HB 98, the Co-Navigators bill. This bill is important because it provides visual and environmental information or sighted services to assist with communication accessibility in an individual's preferred language and communication mode and to assist with accessing an individual's physical surroundings and making informed decisions about those surrounding.

Passing this bill will improve my life by not worry about missing information because I couldn't see very far so need to depend someone with me to give the visual and environmental information also have trouble see the live interpreters on stage so need person to sign close to me what the live interpreter on stage saying.

Thank you for allowing me to testify today. I ask for a favorable report on HB. 98.