

Written Testimony

HB1000-Home Buyer Privacy Rights Bill

“In 2024, privacy is on the brink of non-existence. Most industries are strategically implementing safeguards to ensure a person's rights are protected. The Fair Housing Act of 1968 is intended to protect individuals from discrimination pertaining to their race, religion, sex, national origin, and familial status. Today's homebuyer, in the state of Maryland, is currently not protected because their name is displayed when they initially make an offer on a property. A person's name can and often holds information about an individual's race, religion, sex, etc. HB1000 contends that accepting a buyer's offer should only pertain to the terms of the deal. When all terms are agreed upon (after the negotiation period) the buyer's name should appear along the ratification date. HB1000 is a very important Bill that should be considered in the Maryland session 2024. We kindly ask for your support for HB1000.” –

Sincerely,

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