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**Judiciary Committee**

**SB1096 Vehicle Laws- Licenses, Identification Cards, and Moped Operator Permits-  
Identification of Nonapparent Disability**

**Hearing 3/05/24 at 1:00 pm**

**Position: OPPOSE**

**Synopsis**

*Requiring that an application for a license, an identification card, or a moped operator's permit allow an applicant to indicate the applicant's non apparent disability; and requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to ensure that the license, identification card, or moped operator's permit of an applicant who indicates that the applicant has a non-apparent disability includes an "ND" notation.*

Honorable Chairperson, and distinguished members of the Senate Finance Committee: People on the Go of Maryland (POG) is a statewide self-advocacy organization, ran for and by those with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities (IDD) and our mission is to promote self-advocacy throughout the state. POG opposes SB1096 because the idea that someone's disability information would be documented on their vehicle permit is disturbing to us. Although voluntary, it is important to note that once information is on someone's permanent record, it is there permanently. Information documenting someone's disability could possibly be used against that person or their community in the future and this is worrisome.

Thank you,

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