

February 27, 2024

**Testimony on HB 951
County Boards of Education – Voter Registration Link – Posting Requirement
Ways and Means**

Position: Favorable

Common Cause Maryland in favor of HB 951 that would require each county board of education to post a link to the voter registration webpage on the State Board of Elections or local board of elections from said county.

Common Cause Maryland supports transparency and civic engagement. This bill sits at the cross-section of these two priorities by highlighting how parents and students can have easy access to set up their voter registration and then directly engage by registering to vote. Posting links to the voter registration webpage in more publicly accessible areas will hopefully lead to an overall increase in civic engagement.

Parents who visit the school board websites, along with students will be provided the tools they need to engage with their government. Education is elevation. We urge the Maryland General Assembly to vote in favor of HB 951.