



**TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB0007**

**Department of Transportation – Human Trafficking Awareness, Training, and Response (See Someone, Save Someone Act)**

**FAVORABLE**

**TO: Chair Senator William C. Smith, Jr., Vice Chair Senator Jeff Waldstreicher, all members of the Judicial Proceedings Committee.**

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**DATE: March 20, 2025**

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Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony on behalf of this bill.

The position of the Episcopal Church is that it is time to end human trafficking.

The Church has long supported legislation which aims to combat human trafficking.

The training of people who are in positions to observe and report possible victims

absolutely falls into the category of helping to end this nightmare for so many victims,

most of whom are women and children.

The Episcopal Diocese of Maryland requests a **favorable** report.