

TESTIMONY ON HB905
SAFE STAFFING ACT OF 2025

April 1, 2025

POSITION: FAVORABLE

Hon. Chair Beidle, Vice Chair Hayes, and Members of the Finance Committee:

I am writing to support HB905, the Hospital Safe Staffing Committees bill, which addresses Maryland's long-running hospital staffing crisis.

Enacting HB905 would help protect hospital patients and healthcare workers, increase transparency and accountability, and improve job satisfaction and retention. Involving direct care workers in the creation of staffing plans is a commonsense step toward achieving better hospital care in Maryland.

Nurses and technicians play a critical role in our safety, comfort, and recovery in the hospital, at those moments when we are most vulnerable. HB905 would help make sure that these direct care staff are adequately supported, so that they can support us when we need them.

I respectfully urge a favorable report on HB905.

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