

Committee:	House Judiciary Committee
Bill Number:	Senate Bill 828 – Immigration Enforcement – Sensitive Locations – Guidelines and Policies (Protecting Sensitive Locations Act)
Hearing Date:	March 26, 2025
Position:	Support

The Maryland Assembly of School-Based Healthcare strongly supports *Senate Bill 828* – *Immigration Enforcement – Sensitive Locations – Guidelines and Policies (Protecting Sensitive Locations Act).* The bill requires the Attorney General to issue guidance to protect people from immigration enforcement in schools, healthcare settings, and other sensitive locations.

There are almost 90 school-based health centers in underserved communities with a high concentration of poverty in Maryland. We are concerned about the impact of immigration enforcement on our students and their families. We want to ensure that schools feel as safe as possibility in this rapidly changing environment. Students may stop learning or even coming to school as immigration enforcement efforts become more aggressive. Maryland's Attorney General can play an important role in creating safe spaces for all Marylanders.

We ask for a favorable report. If we can provide any further information, please contact Robyn Elliott at <u>relliott@policypartners.net</u> or (443) 926-3443.