## Testimony For HB0734

## Honorable Delegates

## I support:

- Prohibiting the earning of diminution credits to reduce the term of confinement of an incarcerated individual who is serving a sentence for murder in the first degree or murder in the second degree in a State or local correctional facility;
- prohibiting a deduction of diminution credits of more than 10% of an incarcerated individual's aggregate sentence for crimes of violence for an incarcerated individual who is serving a sentence for a crime of violence.

In Maryland, we see stories in the paper and on the news of those who have committed murder being arrested again for murder. In almost every case, those criminals were let out early because of good behavior. Because of diminution credits being granted to murderers, people have been killed by people who should have still been in jail.

This bill will save lives. Please enter a favorable report for HB0734.

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