

Delegate Luke Clippinger
Chairman, House Judiciary Committee
Maryland General Assembly
House Office Building, Room 101
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Senator William C. Smith, Jr.
Chairman, Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee
Maryland General Assembly
Miller Senate Office Building, 2 East
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

RE: HB1039/SB0743

Dear Chairman Clippinger, Chairman Smith, and Members of the Committees:

As a mother to a child surrendered to adoption in 1966 and having been involved in adoption issues since 1990 I can assure you that most birthparents are hoping to know the fate of their children and want them to have access to their medical information and their family. The baby scoop era caused many children to be surrendered because these mothers were given no choices. They were not promised confidentiality. They also never received anything that they signed.

It is time to lift the secrecy for all those adopted in the United States. The truth will set them free. It is high time that every American have access to their information.

I urge you to please support this bill #HB1039 and SB0743 for equal access for those adopted in your state.

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