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Hon. Chairman Luke Clippinger
6 Bladen Street, House Room 101
Annapolis, MD 21401

Mr. Chair,

Currently, statute allows for the withholding of the address or phone number of a victim, victim's representative or witness in relation to a felony criminal case. House Bill 76 expands this withholding to all criminal cases.

Witness intimidation is a serious problem in Maryland and is in no way limited to felony cases. We expand a significant protection to potential victims of witness intimidation by implementing the simple change in House Bill 76.

Thank you for the hearing for House Bill 76. I am happy to discuss any questions and I ask for a favorable report.

Delegate Robin Grammer