

THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

BILL: House Bill 302 - Criminal Law - Deadly Weapons on

School Property - Nonpublic Schools (No Weapons

on Nonpublic School Property Act)

SPONSOR: Delegates Love, Shetty et al.

HEARING DATE: February 5, 2020

COMMITTEE: Judiciary

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POSITION: SUPPORT

The Office of the Prince George's County Executive SUPPORTS House Bill 302 - Criminal Law - Deadly Weapons on School Property - Nonpublic Schools (No Weapons on Nonpublic School Property Act) which extends the current prohibition against carrying or possessing a firearm, knife, or deadly weapon on public school property to include nonpublic school property.

The purpose of the No Weapons on Nonpublic School Property Act is to expand the statutory ban of deadly weapons on school property to include nonpublic school property such as private schools. This ensures consistency in the treatment of deadly weapons in public and private schools.

For the reasons stated above, the Office of the Prince George's County Executive **SUPPORTS House Bill 302** and asks for a **FAVORABLE** report.