

Testimony in Opposition to HB0677

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am here today, not to give you a long dissertation on the human and financial costs of the Sanctuary polices under consideration today but simply to ask you WHY!

Why do you come back here year after year in an effort to force policies on us that clearly we do not want?

Why are you so insistent on forcing on us, the citizens of Maryland,

- laws that are clearly in violation of Federal Statutes;
- laws that actually endanger the safety of our communities;
- laws that obstruct immigration enforcement actions that can prevent further crime in our state.

despite mythology to the contrary.

These bills do NOT protect Maryland citizens, they do NOT protect legal permanent residents; they do NOT protect those who are here illegally but do not commit other crimes; they do NOT save taxpayers any money; and they do NOT encourage in any way those here illegally to report a crime.

Then who benefits from these laws? The CRIMINALS of course!

If you vote for these laws then the blood of the victims raped, killed and robbed by illegal criminals will be on your hands. The fate of those little girls brutally raped in my county and the countless others raped or killed because of sanctuary policies will be “on you.”

Respectfully,

Bill Richbourg