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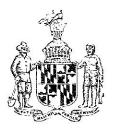
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SUPPORT HB 284 Education – Maryland High School Diploma Civics Test Requirement

Our American political system is based on an educated and informed electorate exercising their Constitutional rights. Our Democratic Republic, relies on citizens understanding our political system and being informed before they get to the voting booth.

Prior to becoming a naturalized citizen of the United States of America, applicants must pass a citizenship test with a score of at least 60%. The test is a known 100 question test with the applicant correctly answering at least six of ten questions correctly. The questions are attached to this testimony.

HB 284 will require students to pass the citizenship test prior to graduation. Students may take the test as many times as necessary to score at least a 60%. Each LEA may determine how they would like to administer the test.

Please vote favorably on HB 284

Delegate Kathy Szeliga and Delegate Trent Kittleman