

WOMEN'S LEGISLATIVE CAUCUS MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

February 13, 2020

Delegate Anne R. Kaiser, Chair

Delegate Alonzo T. Washington, Vice Chair

Members of the Ways and Means Committee:

The Women's Legislative Caucus respectfully submits its support for HB575 – Education – Sexual Abuse and Assault Awareness and Prevention Program - Human and Sex Trafficking.

The Caucus supports legislation that directly affects women and their families which has bipartisan support; its members voted to support HB575 on February 12, 2020.

This bill requires the State Board of Education and certain nonpublic schools to develop and implement a program of age-appropriate education on the awareness and prevention of sexual abuse and assault; and including, for students in grades 6 through 8, material promoting the awareness and prevention of human and sex trafficking.

The Caucus respectfully requests a positive action on behalf of this bill.