Maryland House of Delegates House Ways and Means Committee 6 Bladen St. Annapolis, MD. 21401

## In Support - HB 522: Education - Home and Hospital Teaching Program for Students - Report

Good afternoon.

I am the parent of a child with multiple challenges and disabilities. I am a member of Parent Advocacy Consortium, which advocates for children like my son, and other students that require more time at home, due to their varied medical needs.

It is extremely important for the progress data and documentation related to the education of children with varying medical needs, is accurately tracked and reported to the Maryland House and Senate by MSDE. And that that vital funding and services needed to support these students, and their families, is there and available to help them when needed.

Therefore, it is important for all stakeholders to require the Maryland State Department of Education to accurately track, record and report all data related to the Home and Hospital program. So that every stakeholder across the state can all fully understand the need that currently exists in our many varied and diverse communities across Maryland.

Please return a favorable report on HB 522.

Thank you for considering my testimony today.

Kind regards,

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