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Mr. Chairman and respectful committee members,

Good afternoon. My name is Cheng Tu and I am a legal immigrant and US citizen residing in Rockville.

I am here to **testify against HB15** based on two reasons.

First, immigration matter is federal government's responsibility. I immigrated to the U.S. legally and had no particular issues needing Maryland government involvement. Creating such office will complicated situation to the immigrant population the office supposed to serve. It only means immigrants will pay for money to lawyers and further complicate a complex issue.

Maryland already in fiscal crisis and I can't understand why you want to waste my tax dollars to create more non value-add government jobs. As a result, you will continue to push tax paying population out of Maryland.

I am AGAINST this bill.

Thank you!

Cheng Tu