Dear Sir or Madam:

As a Maryland resident I'm disappointed by the constant attempt to modify the law to support those who are not following the law. We have a path to citizenship in the United States that has made new citizens of over 7.4 million people. I applaud them for doing so.

However, just because the path to citizenship is lengthy and may be cost prohibitive for some, does not mean that we should legislate around it. Those who are here illegally (that is to say, who are here intentionally not following our laws), are more likely to break other laws. They pose a public safety risk, as we have seen in the media across the country, and unfortunately, locally.

Law enforcement exists to ensure that your public, the ones who voted for you, are safe and able to live our lives without being impacted by those who are not following the law of the land. This bill would conflict with federal law.

If Maryland continues working towards sanctuary policies, we will become more attractive to more illegal immigration which will only result in higher costs of living, reduced job availability, lower wages, and even higher crime rates. Something Maryland can ill afford.

I am following our processes in the state of Maryland to object to this bill, and any like it. I will not vote for anyone who supports legislation like this now, or ever.

Sincerely,

R. Aaron Walton