

Testimony in Support of SB88(HB304) - State and Local Government - Participation in Federal Immigration Enforcement

To: Senator Will Smith, Chair, and Members of the Judicial Proceedings Committee

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Please support SB88 (Trust Act) which limits the partnership between Maryland's local and state law enforcement agencies and the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), including 287g agreements. HB304 also requires the Attorney General to develop guidelines for schools, hospitals and courthouses to establish policies that limit civil immigration enforcement on their premises thus making these facilities safe and accessible to all.

I am a social worker that works with immigrants. ICE terrorizes immigrants and makes them feel unsafe in their own community. If the police work with ICE, it will only tell immigrants that it is not safe to report crime and that the police should be feared. This makes the community less safe for everyone.

**Please pass SB88. Thank you for your time and consideration**

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