

1. The Law Enforcement Officer's Bill of Rights has been used to shield officers, to obstruct accountability, and to protect those who cause harm to families, communities, and individuals -- who use their force to disrupt lives, or to kill -- rather than to protect civilians who are subject to the unchecked treatment of said officers. Maryland is where LEOBR was first set forth, it must also be where it ends. We must have a full repeal of LEOBR.

2. Simply reforming the bill is not adequate. I urge you to view the video honoring Tyrone West on the 7th anniversary of his murder by Baltimore police [here](#). None of the officers who took Tyrone West's life have been held accountable, even as his family, friends, and concerned citizens have spent seven years tirelessly fighting for justice while grieving his loss. This past year policing and accountability have been a hot-button item. It should be clearer than ever that it is necessary to fully repeal LEOBR, and give citizens full access to information. It is nonsensical for police officers to oversee themselves. For harm reduction, we need police oversight by Baltimore City residents.