Private Institutions of Higher Education - Police Departments - Repeal and Prohibition HB336

Official Testimony Position: FAVORABLE

To the House Judiciary Committee:

My name is Max Fisher, and I am a Baltimore City resident. I support HB336.

Study after study shows that an increase in police does not mean an increase in safety. It would mean an increase in "broken windows" policing. It would mean more racial profiling. It would mean further militarization of Baltimore City. It would mean more dominance over public life by a private institution — Johns Hopkins. JH already abuses its power to look out for itself in many ways that are not accountable to the community and City. This bill would restrict Hopkins' ability to further entrench this paradigm.

I respectfully urge this committee to issue a favorable report on the HB336.

Sincerely,

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