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BILL: House Bill 439
TITLE: Institute for Innovation and Implementation - Pregnant, Expecting, and Parenting Students - Data Collection and Report
POSITION: OPPOSE
DATE: February 3, 2021
COMMITTEE: Ways and Means
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The Maryland Association of Boards of Education (MABE) opposes House Bill 439 and the proposal to mandate the significant amount of specified data collection by local school systems and staff.

MABE appreciates the intended benefit of this information to the students and staff of the Institute for Innovation and Implementation housed at the University of Maryland's esteemed School of Social Work. However, based on the breadth and scope of the imposition on local school system personnel, MABE respectfully requests that non-legislative approaches are taken instead to establish working relationships between the Institute and local school systems toward the objective of developing programs and services that produce improved outcomes for students and families.

For these reasons, MABE requests an unfavorable report on House Bill 439.