

Written Testimony: SB0228

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I am writing in strong support of SB0228 Maryland Corps Program Revisions. I believe in the importance of providing Maryland young people an equitable opportunity to address social needs in their community. I have worked in the charity/non-profit/service/volunteerism sector for the past 15 years and have witnessed the ripple effect of these experiences. I am also a person of privilege who could work in roles that were not accessible to all citizens. By extending the minimum wage to \$15 per hour and increasing the college support—you will give more youth the opportunity to experience a career in service. This bill will only make Maryland stronger and we will become a model of service for the rest of the country.