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I am writing in support of this legislation.

As a mother and grandmother, I know without a doubt that I have a better understanding of my child's needs than a teacher in a classroom of 20 or more students. I have no doubt that the majority of teachers care deeply about the children they teach, but they will never care as much as the parent.

In these days and times, our children are often exposed to teachings and ideas that can cause confusion and even emotional distress. As the parent, it is important that I understand the curriculum being taught to my child so I will be better able to address any concerns my child may have. Sometimes children don't really understand how to verbalize their concerns and, in the event I notice a change in my child, it would be helpful to have knowledge of the curriculum he or she is being taught, since it is possible said curriculum could be a contributing factor.

There is also the issue of transparency - at this time, parents are concerned by what they are hearing is being taught to their children, and are distrustful of their local boards of education. This has a negative impact on the children. Whether or not this concern is valid is not important - the fact is that parents are concerned and their concerns should be addressed. This legislation will, I hope, be a step in the process of reestablishing that trust which is vitally important to the children.

I understand that other states have been posting the curriculum for years, so I would hope the State of Maryland would see the wisdom and pass this bill.

Thank you for your consideration.

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