<u>Testimony in OPPOSITION to SB0786 – Education – Public Schools- Curriculum Publication</u> (Curriculum Transparency and Publication Act)

Dear Chair Pinsky and members of the Education, Health and Environmental Affairs Committee,

I oppose SB0786.

This bill does not appear to be the result of a request by public school officials nor a request from parents in district 38. This bill proposes actions which appear to have been requested by outside organizations, which do not support the interests of Maryland's students, educators or parents. This bill is divisive at best and at worst originated from hostile foreign governments whose purpose is to undermine our education system. In that similar bills have been proposed in numerous other states, it is likely that hostile foreign entities are at work, who would benefit greatly from the resulting division in our citizens.

I believe that action is required by my state legislators to protect the public education system in Maryland, which has provided a quality education to my children and grandchildren. This bill would harm the public education system in Maryland and must be opposed.

Respectfully,

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