



**BILL: SB0063**

**BILL TITLE: General Assembly – Residency Requirement – Enforcement – Factors**

**BILL SPONSOR: Senator Kelley**

**COMMITTEE: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs**

**POSITION: FAVORABLE**

**HEARING DATE: 1/26/22**

**TESTIMONY IN FAVOR OF SB0063**

Represent Maryland is a grassroots, all volunteer group of voters who believe in democracy and oppose corruption. We believe that for good and democratic government, elected officials should be a part of the communities they represent. For that reason, we support this legislation as it clarifies what should be considered to define legislator and candidate residency. Most importantly, it requires an annual review for compliance, which will increase accountability for legislators. Thus, we urge a favorable report for SB0063.

Sincerely,  
Ben Tabatabai, Member  
Represent Maryland  
Maryland Voter-LD07

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