

SUPPORT SB 0699

Dear Committee Members-

I am writing to urge you to support SB0699, Public High Schools - Financial Literacy - Curriculum, Graduation Requirement, and Professional Development. This bill would require the State Board of Education, with the assistance of the Maryland Council on Economic Education, to develop curriculum content for a certain course in financial literacy; requiring each county board of education to implement the curriculum in every public high school beginning in the 2025-2026 school year; requiring the completion of a certain financial literacy course in order to graduate from high school beginning in 2029; etc. These are basic adult living skills and we should be working together to ensure all children have these skills in place before graduation.

Thank you for your time, Jacquelin Zubko-Cunha (mother of 2, Gaithersburg, MD)