

SB840  
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Dear Senate Finance Committee,

I'm writing as a Maryland resident who is opposed to this proposed bill: "COVID 19 Response Act of 2022" - SB840.

A statewide digital vaccine passport does nothing to make Maryland citizens safer. The vaccine does not prevent transmission or spread of the virus. A vaccine passport will make it much easier to legally segregate others and discriminate against populations who medically cannot receive this vaccine as well as provide economic barriers for small businesses. It's a waste of time and resources when many localities are consistently dropping any mandates they may have had in place.

As a parent, I would not choose to have a pharmacist who has very little training in adverse reactions or a patient's family medical history to vaccinate a child. Pediatricians are in a highly specialized field for a reason - they are trained to assess children for vaccine readiness and other childhood concerns. Pharmacists are not trained in the same way. The last two years, pharmacies have been overloaded and overwhelmed, making mistakes more likely.

Please oppose this bill.

Sincerely,

Shawna Sherrell