Allowing a law such as HB1171 to even be considered is beyond unjust. Children are not able to give consent nor make life decisions. By the justification of this you would be also saying that child marriage is ok and that all other forms of child exploitation is fine. For the welfare of our children this bill should not be further considered as the overall ramifications and loopholes that this would cause would in fact increase child exploitation and set a precedent that not just those in Maryland but all states be negatively impacted.