

This bill would facilitate the development and implementation of a digital “vaccine passport” that would make private health information the basis for government sanctioned discrimination against, and segregation of Maryland citizens. It would make an individual’s personal health decisions, specifically the acceptance of emergency use only approved, experimental vaccines a prerequisite for admission to certain venues and create a system that would promote overreaching government tracking and control.

The latest research from Johns Hopkins, and recent opinions issued by the CDC supports the value of natural immunity and underscores the inability of the vaccine to prevent the transmission of COVID. In light of recent studies, vaccine requirements and “passports” are being withdrawn across the globe. Public funding should not be used to develop an invasive and outdated program that violates the medical privacy of Maryland citizens but is of little benefit to public health.