

Dear Honorable Delegates,

I oppose HB0181 and hope it does not come out of committee.

The Biblical foundation of civil government in Maryland is under attack.

General Presupposition: that truth exists and is absolute, objective and unchanging...*We hold these truths to be self evident...*

Specific Presuppositions: contained in the Declaration of Independence.

- 1) There is a GOD ...*that all men are created equal.*
- 2) Rights come from Him ...*that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness;*
- 3) The purpose of civil government is to protect God-given rights ...*that to secure these rights governments are instituted among men...*
- 4) All civil government is derived through the consent of the people ...deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed;
- 5) Whenever any government becomes destructive of this purpose the people have a right and a duty to "alter or abolish" it. ...that whenever any form of government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or abolish it...

This is the American View fo Law and Government, which is based on a Biblical Worldview, and is an application of the Bible and God's law to civil government and the body politic.

To remove "GOD" from any part of the Maryland constitution is unlawful.

Thank you,

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