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THE SENATE OF MARYLAND
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

February 9, 2022

**SB 371 Carroll County - Prospective Employees and Volunteers - Criminal
History Records Check**

Chairman Smith, Vice Chair Waldstreicher, and members of the Judicial Proceedings Committee,

Senate Bill 371 was requested by the Carroll County Commissioners. At this time, current Carroll County law does not require all people who work for the county to have background checks. As Federal law changes, it has become necessary to amend who gets a background check. The would eliminate having to make changes every time a new background check requirement occurs at the State or Federal Level. Intent is to assure that people working with youth do not have anything in their background that would raise concerns. Resulting from an incident in the county where a youth coach was accused of sexual misconduct with a minor and he had a similar incident in PA that could have appeared on a background check. Goal is to better vet those involved with young people.

Approved 3-0 by Carroll County Senators.

I respectfully request a favorable report on Senate Bill 371.

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Senate Standing Committee
Sponsor Witness Form

This form must be emailed to the Committee Manager for the Committee hearing the bill. For bill hearings scheduled on or before February 11th by 10:00 am two (2) business days in advance of the scheduled bill hearing. For bill hearings beginning on February 14th by 10:00 am one (1) business day in advance of the scheduled bill hearing. Please include the date of the bill hearing and the bill number in the subject line.

Hearing Date: February 9, 2022

Bill Number: SB 371

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Please also submit, along with this document:

- Any audio-visual presentation the sponsor wishes to show during his or her presentation.
- Any special requests for bill order. Please note, the Committee will do its best to accommodate requests.

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The Honorable William Smith
Miller Senate Office Building
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Chairman Smith, Vice Chair Waldstreicher and members of the Judicial Proceedings Committee,

The Carroll County Senate Delegation supports Senate Bill 372, Carroll County - Prospective Employees and Volunteers - Criminal History Records Check. The delegation voted 3-0 in favor of the bill.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Justin Ready".

Senator Justin Ready
Carroll County Senate Chairman

SB371VotingSheetBackgroundChecks.pdf

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Carroll County Delegation Meeting

via Zoom

Thursday January 20, 2022 9:00am

Voting on Bill

Carroll Co Background Checks
LR 0504

Sen Ready	<u>Yes</u>	No
Sen Hough	<u>Yes</u>	No
Sen Hester	<u>Yes</u>	No
Del Krebs	<u>Yes</u>	No
Del Shoemaker	<u>Yes</u>	No
Del Rose	<u>Yes</u>	No
Del Cox	Yes	No Absent
Del Kittleman	<u>Yes</u>	No
Del Ciliberti	<u>Yes</u>	No
Del Pippy	<u>Yes</u>	No
Del Novotny	<u>Yes</u>	No

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February 7, 2022

The Honorable William C. Smith, Jr., Chair
Judicial Proceedings Committee
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Miller Senate Office Building
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Re: SUPPORT – SB371 – Carroll County – Prospective Employees and Volunteers – Criminal History Records Check

Dear Chair Smith and Members of the Committee,

We write in support of **SB 371 – Carroll County – Prospective Employees and Volunteers – Criminal History Records Check**, sponsored by the Carroll County Senators on our behalf. The bill expands the county's authority to conduct criminal history background checks from a prescribed number of employee categories to any prospective employee and adds that authorization for volunteers. The language is drawn directly from current law in several counties. Ten counties are currently authorized to conduct these checks for prospective employees and, of those ten, seven are authorized to conduct them for volunteers. We believe this change will better assist us to ensure the safety and security of county operations and the general public.

We respectfully request a **FAVORABLE** report on SB371.

Sincerely,

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CARROLL COUNTY

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Edward C. Rothstein (COL, Ret.)
President

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Vice President

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