

## Maryland Troopers Association



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The Honorable Luke Clippinger, Chair and Members of the Judiciary Committee

RE: HB 638 - State Government - Attorney General - Independent Investigations Division

POSITION: OPPOSE

The MTA opposes HB 638 which allows the Attorney General to issue a subpoena under certain circumstances.

The provisions of this bill that would allow the Attorney General to have subpoen power would violate due process and the constitutional rights of law enforcement officers. Law enforcement officers cannot be compelled to testify or give statements, even if subpoenaed.

We request an unfavorable report of HB 638.

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