

I am writing to state I am in favor of HB1206. Currently, Maryland only allows the select few whose lives are deemed more valuable than the rest to defend themselves. In an age where equity and equality are the biggest sociopolitical issues, this is a major faux pas. Right now, Maryland lets the world know that here, only the rich and elites lives matter, while Baltimore has never been more dangerous. If you are concerned about this leading to more criminals carrying guns, let me insist you look towards Baltimore where criminal illegally carry everyday. The current may issue status only stops responsible people from carrying and defending themselves against criminal. And criminals know this and therefore treat everyone they see as their next easy victim. Many other states have realized this and have gone or are going towards full constitutional carry. Please consider voting for HB1206 and reducing crime in Maryland.

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