



**TESTIMONY FOR HB0452
FOOD SUPPLEMENT BENEFITS – STUDENTS – ELIGIBILITY (SNAP FOR STUDENTS)**

Bill Sponsor: Delegate Kaufman

Committee: Appropriations

Organization Submitting: Maryland Legislative Coalition

Person Submitting: Cecilia Plante, co-chair

Position: FAVORABLE

I am submitting this testimony in favor of HB0452 on behalf of the Maryland Legislative Coalition. The Maryland Legislative Coalition is an association of individuals and grassroots groups with members in every district in the state with well over 30,000 members.

This bill will help college students who cannot afford meals by allowing them to apply for SNAP benefits if they meet the following income requirements -

- Their expected family contribution is zero on the application for Federal Student Aid
- They are eligible to participate in a state or federally financed work-study program

We support this bill and recommend a **FAVORABLE** report in committee.