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RE: HB0699 Favorable With Amendments

Maryland General Assembly,

In October of 2021, I was hospitalized. I was in agony like I had never known it before. The pain in my chest was so strong that I felt as if I were being ripped in two. I was coughing blood, and I could scarcely breathe. I developed a sudden pulmonary embolism and numerous blood clots in my lungs after my second Covid-19 mRNA vaccination. Only days before, I was a healthy 21year-old who ran 5 miles a day, five days a week. Now I was dying, with an estimated life span of 3 days remaining. I was hospitalized. I forced myself to stay awake each night and each day because every time I bran to doze, I felt myself start to suffocate. My body was too tired to stop it, and I had to bite my tongue to pull myself back as the world faded to black each time. I had heard it said once that you can't do anything forever, but you can do anything for ten seconds, so I forced myself to keep breathing ten seconds at a time. I counted them endlessly in my head like it were some obscene punishment from Dante's Inferno. The 4th day at the hospital was my birthday, and I had turned 22. I spent the next several months in and out of emergency rooms and clinics without receiving much real treatment Until my mother Found Dr. Balbona. He treated my symptoms and ran the tests other physicians were too afraid to, including an antinucleocapsid antibody test that verified that I had no exposure to covid-19. Dr. Balbona said the tests showed that I had a reaction to the lipid shell of the covid-19 mRNA vaccine. I know have to be on multiple medications in order to stay alive and have to walk with a cane. My life has changed completely, and my quality of life is poor. My experiences have given me no faith in covid-19 mRNA vaccine.