

TESTIMONY OF JOAN FLOYD ON SB 758 - FAVORABLE

Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee - Bill Hearing March 1, 2023

Joan Floyd - DISTRICT 43a - 2828 N. Howard Street, Baltimore, MD

TO: Chair Smith, Vice Chair Waldstreicher and Members of the Committee

FROM: Joan Floyd, District 43a

Re: Support for SB 758

I am a resident of Baltimore City since 1979, a homeowner for 27 years in what is now District 43a, and a strong proponent of last November's Question H. I am very concerned that our Baltimore City Council is being told it lacks authority to enact legislation affecting the Baltimore City Police Department. I do not see anything in 2021 Chapter 133 that suggested there should be any such lack of legislative authority after January 1, 2023.

I ask for your favorable report on SB 758 with the earliest possible effective date. (It would seem preferable for the bill to have retroactive effect to January 1, 2023.)

Thank you.

- Joan Floyd