To the Chair and Members of the Senate Judicial Proceedings Comittee Regarding SB758
IN SUPPORT
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To the honorable Chair and Members of the Committee,

Baltimore is the ONLY jurisdiction in Maryland that doesn't control its own police force. We all know why not.

82% of Baltimore voters supported local control of the police. It is high time that our majority Black city actually have control over its own police.

Baltimore has waited 163 years. We need immediate implementation now.

As a primary care physician and Charles Village resident, and a constituent of District 43A, I have seen the price we pay for uncontrolled, violent police. We must make this undemocratic institution at least a bit more democratic so we can reform it.

Thank you for recording my testimony in SUPPORT of SB758.

Very truly yours, Zackary Berger, MD, PhD 2736 N Cavert St Baltimore MD 21218