



Committee: Senate Judicial Proceedings

Bill Number: HB0287 - Public Health - Prohibition on Transfer of Human Immunodeficiency Virus - Repeal

Hearing Date: March 28, 2023

Position: Support

Moveable Feast strongly supports *HB0287 – Public Health – Prohibition on Transfer of Human Immunodeficiency Virus – Repeal*. Moveable Feast is a non-profit community based organization that exists to improve the health of Marylanders experiencing food insecurity and chronic illness by preparing and delivering medically tailored meals and providing nutrition education, thereby achieving racial, social, and health equity.

Founded in 1989 as a response to the HIV epidemic, Moveable Feast still serves over 400 individuals living with HIV every year. We see daily the devastating effects of stigma on health and dignity for people living with HIV. Laws such as the one that this bill addresses marginalize and unfairly target people living with HIV. It is time to remove the vestiges of laws that stigmatize people with HIV. If we can provide any further information, please contact Robyn Elliott at relliott@policypartners.net.