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In Support of HB 770 / SB 913 : Full Day Pre K – Tier 1 families – Including ELL students, Students with Disabilities and Homeless Youth - Education

Members of the Maryland House Ways and Means Committee.

We are an organization of military and non-military families with over 1500 members. We fully support including ALL Tier 1 families; ELL learners, students with disabilities and homeless youth at the urging of the Maryland Blueprint's AIB. Programs like this will give a terrific boost to so many Maryland families living near or below the poverty line.

Students who live on the edges of poverty, truly need this kind of help, now.

So many families are still hurting financially from the past 3 years of health and economic hardships, we all can use a helping hand during these trying times. We hope that the MGA and the AIB will also work on other constructive ways of supporting ALL families moving forward with the Blueprint for Maryland's Future full implementation.

Thank you for all for considering new approaches to old problems that have been plaguing the education and social support systems for those living on the fringes of poverty for far too long.

Please support House Bill 770 and ask that the committee return a favorable report for this bill.

Thank you for your time, and for considering our testimony today.

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