## <u>House Bill 1325 - FAVORABLE</u> Environment and Transportation Committee

Honorable Chair, Vice Chair, and Members of the Environment and Transportation Committee;

Please give House Bill 1325 a Favorable report.

My parents kicked me out when I was in high school, and I spent my senior year homeless in the suburbs. I couldn't get a job because I didn't have an address or phone number, which left me always searching for change in sidewalks so I could get a cheap burger at McDonald's to get me through the day. With cell phones, more people experiencing homelessness have access to a phone, but addresses are still a problem. People say to use the address of a shelter, but what do you do when there is no shelter in the area?

I urge you to vote favorably on House Bill 1325 so that unhoused people have more options for survival. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Debi Jasen Pasadena, MD