Greetings Committee Members,

I am writing to urge your support for HB 65 - Public Schools - Medical and Psychological Treatment in School-Based Health Centers and Public Schools - Parental Notice. This bill will require parental consent for all medical and psychological treatment performed in schools. This is essential in supporting and encouraging a healthy partnership between families and the schools in which their children attend. Furthermore, it is necessary that parents CONSENT to such treatment of their MINOR children!

All school personnel are already required to report suspicions of abuse. Why then would anyone oppose HB 65? This bill would mandate collaboration with a student's family/parents for all mental health services performed in schools. It's common sense and a necessary piece of legislation!

Thank you, Delegate Miller, for bringing forth this essential bill. Parents across the State of Maryland appreciate your hard work!

Please vote **FAVORABLE for HB 65.** Thank you for reading this email.

Best regards,
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Parent of two BEAUTIFUL and INNOCENT children