



March 28, 2024

The Maryland General Assembly  
House Judiciary Committee  
Chair Luke Clippinger  
House Office Building, Room 101  
Annapolis, MD 21401

**Re: Bill SB-100 – Criminal Law – Organized Retail Theft**

Dear Chair Clippinger:

My name is Chanell Autrey, and I am the Director of Government Affairs for Target Corporation for our Mid-Atlantic/Great Lakes region.

Today, I would like to express Target's support of Bill SB-100 – Criminal Law – Organized Retail Theft.

Target is proud of our presence in Maryland and our support for the local economy and communities where we are located. Our commitment includes 40 stores, a corporate office, three supply chain facilities and over 7800 team members.

Organized retail crime (ORC) activity has continued to increase across the United States, particularly over the past couple of years. Additionally, the problem affects all of us, limiting product availability, creating a less convenient shopping experience, and putting team members and guests in harm's way. At Target, the safety of our guests and our team members is always our priority, and we work diligently with legislators, law enforcement, and retail industry partners to advocate for public policy solutions.

We look forward to working with the Committee and the entire General Assembly to combat theft and organized retail crime in Maryland.

Thank you for your consideration.

Chanell Autrey  
Director of Government Affairs  
Target Corporation