



BILL NO: Senate Bill 1095
TITLE: Workgroup on Home Detention Monitoring
COMMITTEE: Judiciary
HEARING DATE: March 28, 2024
POSITION: **Favorable with Amendments**

The Maryland Network Against Domestic Violence (MNADV) is the state domestic violence coalition that brings together victim service providers, allied professionals, and concerned individuals for the common purpose of reducing intimate partner and family violence and its harmful effects on our citizens. **MNADV urges the House Judiciary Committee to issue a favorable report on SB 1095.**

Senate Bill 1095 establishes the Workgroup on Home Detention Monitoring to study and make recommendations regarding the costs and availability of both publicly and privately provided pretrial home detention monitoring systems. Included in the composition of members of the Task Force is the Executive Director of the Maryland Network Against Domestic Violence or their designee.

MNADV believes that it is imperative that a workgroup studying home detention monitoring include representation from the communities directly impacted by the crimes that necessitate the need for home detention monitoring. If there is an individual on home detention monitoring due to a domestic violence charge, the policy and requirements to notify the victim of a violation should consider the unique needs of victims of domestic violence.

MNADV represents the nineteen comprehensive domestic violence programs in Maryland. These programs are required to provide abuser intervention services to those who have committed violence and could be on home detention monitoring. The programs we represent offer services to those that are victims of domestic violence, those who have committed domestic violence, and victims that are criminalized. It is crucial that these voices are at the table.

For the above stated reasons, the **Maryland Network Against Domestic Violence urges a favorable report on SB 1095.**

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