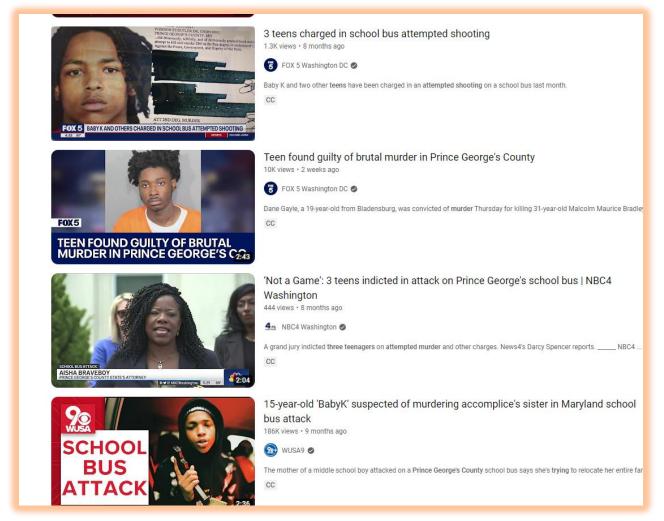
Calvert County - Board of Education - Civil Rights Data Collection and Reporting HB1380 Delegate Mark Fisher

Dear Delegates of Ways and Means,

There is terror, crime and drug-harm affecting Maryland children on school buses.

While some were contemplating ridiculous and bizarre bills right after Sine Die 2023, in PG County 3 young black teenagers beat and attempted to murder a similarly-aged student on a PG County school bus. These teens who perpetrated this violence would later be arrested a few weeks later for having killed a black adult woman.



This bill will highlight drug, violence, and the horrible scourges of crime that accompany drug use. Maryland school bus drivers have stranded their very young students, including this 5-year-old. So it's clear that school bus drivers cannot police and regulate themselves. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=omKGYwryEiY

The metrics requested in this bill will help serve and protect children. While not offering an Amendment, this bill should be extended to other districts, once this pilot program is complete.

I urge a Favorable on this bill's aims to help children from violence and threats on school buses.

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