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As I have in the past, I do strongly support the development of curriculum for the teaching on swimming and Water Safety to all students in the state of Maryland. Considering that ten persons drown every day, according to the CDC, and the statistics become more staggering as they are broken down.

The passage of this bill will undoubtedly save the life of Marylander and prevent another from putting themselves in harm's way by putting into practice information learned in a water safety class.

If I can be of further assistance, please let me know.

Thank you,

Mark Wascavage



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Good Evening Mr. Wascavage,

You previously supported Delegate Toles' Public Schools – Water Safety and Swimming Course bill, and I am reaching out to see if you would support this year's bill that is in the identical posture that it was last year (HB1105). Delegate Karen Toles is presenting House Bill 1485, again calling for Maryland public schools grades K-12 to develop curriculum teaching students swimming and other safety skills. If you would provide favorable testimony for this bill as you did last year that would be greatly appreciated. Your expertise as Bowie State Aquatics Coordinator is greatly valued. Testimony is due today, if possible and you may email that to our office at karen.toles@house.state.md.us. We will submit on your behalf.