

The Honorable Ben Barnes, Chair  
House Appropriations Committee  
120 Taylor House Office Building  
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Delegate Barnes,

As a senior in high school, I am looking for opportunities that will help me transition into a meaningful career. One of the most valuable programs I have learned about is Maryland Service Year, which provides students like me the opportunity to shadow different industries after high school. Additionally, through career coaching, I have been informed about various healthcare opportunities that could shape my future. If HB 1245 passes, students may no longer receive guidance about these critical resources. Please vote against HB 1245 to ensure students continue to have access to these vital career opportunities.

Sincerely,

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