

**Written Testimony Submitted to the  
Maryland House Environment and Transportation Committee  
HB 1144  
State Public Transit Service and Stations – Exclusion for Assault and Bodily Injury  
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SUPPORT**

As a Supervisor for Transit Workers, I have seen firsthand how allowing subjects to continue riding services after assaulting an operator can greatly affect other services. Subjects have assaulted workers and were allowed to walk away, only to get on the following service and commit the same act. As victims, operators have come in contact with the accused days later after being assaulted. This bill will not only ensure the safety of our workers but also serve as a deterrent to criminals who want to engage in these types of attacks.

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