

Health and Government Operations
House Bill 1055
Favorable

Honorable Chair, Vice Chair, and Members of the Health and Government Operations Committee;

One Pasadena: Building a Safe and Inclusive Community is an anti-bigotry group in Anne Arundel County. Pasadena is known throughout the county as having a long history of racism. Pasadena also has the big problem of Queerphobia. Assaults, threats, harassment, and slurs against Black, Brown, and Queer people are common, and often defended by community members. We saw an increase in hate/ bias incidents in Pasadena during Donald Trump's last term, and are already hearing numerous incidents less than two months into this term. Many Pasadena residents are scared of what's coming under Trump. They are planning ways to leave the country, figuring out how to best defend themselves, and struggling with extreme anxiety. We need to know that Maryland has our backs.

Please vote for House Bill 1055 so that you can learn what more Maryland legislators need to do to keep us as safe as possible from the bigoted actions of the federal government. Thank you.

Sincerely,
The One Pasadena Steering Committee
Pasadena, MD