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MARYLAND JUDICIAL COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

MEMORANDUM

TO: Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee
FROM: Legislative Committee
Suzanne D. Pelz, Esq.
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RE: Senate Bill 828
Immigration Enforcement – Sensitive Locations – Guidelines and
Policies (Protecting Sensitive Locations Act)
DATE: February 5, 2025
(3/4)
POSITION: Oppose

The Maryland Judiciary opposes Senate Bill 828 to the extent it would apply to the Judiciary. Article IV, §18 of the Maryland Constitution dictates that the “Supreme Court of Maryland from time to time shall adopt rules and regulations concerning the practice and procedure in and the administration of the appellate courts and in the other courts of this State . . .” If made applicable to the Judiciary, this bill would be inconsistent with judicial independence and the Judiciary’s authority to regulate its own facilities and operations.

cc. Hon. William Smith
Judicial Council
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