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Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee  
Chair Will Smith  
Vice Chair Jeff Waldstreicher  
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Chair Smith, Vice Chair Waldstreicher, and Members of the Judicial Proceedings Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to present SB 504 to you today. This bill would authorize Hagerstown Community College Police Officers to exercise powers granted to a peace and police officer within Washington County if (1) engaged in fresh pursuit of a suspected offender; (2) necessary to facilitate the orderly flow of traffic to and from property owned, leased, operated by, or under the control of Hagerstown Community College; or (3) ordered to do so by the Governor.

It is important to note that nothing in the bill may be construed to (1) supersede the authority or jurisdiction of the Washington County Sheriff's Office or any other law enforcement agency or (2) limit the authority or jurisdiction of the Hagerstown Community College Police Force authorized under provisions relating to the statewide jurisdiction of officers for controlled dangerous substance offenses. Expanding their authority will only assist local law enforcement agencies when back up is needed and will aid in keeping our community safe.

Thank you for your consideration of this bill, and we respectfully request a favorable report on SB 504.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "P.D. Corderman", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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