

Written Testimony for **HB 646/SB 811**: Task Force on the Creation of a Division of Returning Citizens and Expanded Reentry Services - Extension of Report Deadline and Task Force - Please **VOTE NO** on this bill.

Dear Judiciary Committee and Judicial Proceedings Committee:

This bill reads "...Extending the deadline for the reporting requirement for the Task Force on the Creation of a Division of Returning Citizens and Expanded Reentry Services to be October 31, 2026; and extending the termination date for the Task Force to be June 30, 2027..."

The original dates of this bill were "...On or before **December 31, 2025** OCTOBER 31, 2026, the Task Force shall, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the State Government Article, submit a report to the General Assembly of its findings and recommendations. SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 9, 2024. It shall remain effective for a period of [2] 3 years and 1 month and, at the end of **June 30, [2026]** 2027, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect..."

There is no reason for the State of Maryland to extend deadlines that directly oppose President Trump's efforts, other than political advantage. Since foreign immigrants entered our country illegally, we have seen an increase in crime, an increase in drugs, especially Fentanyl, and an increase in Fentanyl related deaths, just to name a few of the negative effects. If the State of Maryland enacts legislation that directly opposes President Trump's efforts, then we stand to lose vast sums of money in federal funding, which will be even worse for our State. These citizens of foreign nations need to be returned to their countries of origin as soon as possible, because they entered our country illegally.

Therefore, please **VOTE NO** on this bill and show the citizens of Maryland that you do not want to jeopardize our way of living by doing anything to keep illegal criminals in our State and jeopardize any and all programs that receive federal funding.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

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A Very Concerned Mother of 3 and Maryland Resident

