

Testimony Against SB1001

Honorable Senators

Please enter an unfavorable report against SB1001.

I am against

- Establishing that the creative expression of a criminal defendant or juvenile respondent is not admissible against the defendant or respondent unless the court makes certain findings;
- establishing that the creative expression of a defendant or respondent is admissible in juvenile proceedings for certain purposes; and
- defining 'creative expression' to mean the expression or application of creativity or imagination in the production or arrangement of forms, sounds, words, movements, or symbols.

Maryland has enough problems with juvenile crime without making more excuses for their actions. Maryland should not alter the Maryland Rules of Evidence and make them less stringent than the Federal Rules of Evidence. All relevant evidence should remain admissible.

So please enter an unfavorable report against SB1001

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