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Testimony in opposition of SB0977 Enforcement of Federal Immigration Law - Restrictions on Access to Information (Maryland Data Privacy Act)

Dear Chair Delegate Luke Clippinger and Members of the Committee,

Thank you for providing me the opportunity to testify in opposition of Senate Bill SB0977.

Maryland made national news with the murder of Kayla Hamilton and Rachel Morin both in Harford County at the hands of illegal aliens. How are Maryland law makers responding? You guessed it, they are poised to make Maryland a sanctuary State to protect illegal aliens like Rachel and Kayla's killers!

Since many of you have seemed to have forgotten, let me remind you that 74 Marylanders were killed on 9/11/2001 in the terror attacks that struck our Country.

According to an article by The Center for Public Integrity published in 2008, "The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), and other U.S. intelligence and law enforcement agencies had pieces of information before the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks that, had they been shared, might have led to the unraveling of Al Qaeda's plot." Please see this link for the full article: https://publicintegrity.org/politics/agencies-failed-to-share-intelligence-on-9-11-terrorists/

Sanctuary policies like this one endangers our citizens and legal permanent residents alike.

Maryland is also facing unprecedented budget challenges, and the passage of SB0977 potentially jeopardizes millions of dollars in Federal funding at a time of extreme financial need for our State.

This is why I strongly urge you to vote no on SB0977!

Thanks,

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