

Moms for Liberty Maryland - Legislative Committee requests a **Favorable Report for HB 0394**.

The United States now hosts more child sexual abuse material online than any other country in the world according to a 2022 paper published by MIT Technology Review.

https://www.iwf.org.uk/news-media/iwf-in-the-news/the-us-now-hosts-morechild-sexual-abuse-material-online-than-any-other-country/

The conclusion of this report: "Experts predict that without new legislation the problem will only grow."

In one wide-ranging study, 58% of teens have reported that they have seen porn accidentally. Kids can access porn unintentionally through gaming systems, tablets, phones, or computers. This study and others show that content filtering software is not sufficient to protect our children.

https://www.commonsensemedia.org/sites/default/files/research/report/ 2022-teens-and-pornography-final-web.pdf

The digital age has proven detrimental to the mental health and well being of our youth. Parents alone are unable to protect their children from the dangers that lurk online. Legislation is urgently needed to protect children from the damaging effects of pornography.

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