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Testimony in support of HB0202 Criminal Law - Fraud - Conveyance, Lease, or Possession of Residential Real Property

Dear Chair Delegate Luke Clippinger and Members of the Committee,

Thank you for providing me the opportunity to testify in support of House Bill HB0202.

HB0202 is vitally important to the people of Maryland. It seems like every other day that we see headlines with heartbreaking stories of people who have fallen victim to title theft and lease fraud. Sadly, many of these victims are elderly and do not discover the fraud until it is too late.

Just this past year, our country was riveted to our television sets with the news that Elvis Presley's beloved Graceland home was set for auction. Thankfully, Elvis's granddaughter Riley Keoough was able to get a court injunction to stop the sale! According to news reports, an alleged scammer presented fraudulent documents claiming that Riley's mother Lisa Marie Presley, owed \$3.8 million after failing to repay a 2018 loan. If this can happen to Elvis's family, it can happen to you! See story here:

https://apnews.com/article/elvis-presley-graceland-foreclosure-sale-lawsuit-93a42d151462e299fee88b5a6eca9743

This is why I am urging you today to please support HB0202. Please do not let one of your beloved family members be the next victim. The people of Maryland are counting on you.

Thank You,

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