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House Bill 1006 Immigration Enforcement- Sensitive Locations - Guidelines and Policies (Protecting Sensitive Locations Act)

Letter of Concerns

DATE: February 27th, 2025

COMMITTEE: Judiciary

SUMMARY OF BILL: House Bill 1006 (Immigration Enforcement – Sensitive Locations – Guidelines and Policies) requires the Attorney General to develop guidelines relating to immigration enforcement at sensitive locations and requires State agencies operating at sensitive locations to adopt certain policies.

EXPLANATION: The OAG has proposed amendments to task DBM to develop and publish policies limiting assistance with immigration enforcement at sensitive locations and ensuring the locations remain safe and accessible, rather than the OAG developing and publishing these policies. Further, DBM has not traditionally had personnel authority over employees at many of the sensitive locations identified in the bill, and the responsibility to develop a policy that applies to the identified sensitive locations would be a broad expansion of DBM's authority.DBM asserts that it is not the proper entity to establish this policy. We respectfully ask the committee not to accept these amendments.

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