



Moms for Liberty Maryland - Legislative Committee urges a favorable report for HB 0526: *Primary and Secondary Education - Definition and Notification of Reportable Offense - Alterations*

Due to various tragic student safety situations that have occurred inside and outside of our public schools in the past several years, the definition of “reportable offense” must be expanded. By expanding the criteria for reportable offenses, our public schools and juvenile justice system will be better able to address safety concerns, ensuring that harmful behaviors are flagged for review regardless of location.

In order to increase school and student safety, communications between the Department of Juvenile Services and our public school authorities must be expanded. Therefore, the definition of “reportable offense: must be expanded. With earlier notifications to school superintendents and principals, schools can act more swiftly to address issues and support affected students.

Taxpayers and Parents demand accountability from our government agencies. This bill strengthens the accountability framework for handling juvenile offenses in schools, fostering a safer educational environment. These changes will improve overall student welfare, school safety, and communication between government institutions at a time when our students and staff are experiencing true anxiety over actual threats to their safety.

For the sake of student safety, Moms for Liberty Maryland - Legislative Committee urges a favorable report for HB 0526.