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Maryland General Assembly
Members of the Ways and Means Committee
Annapolis, MD

RE: [HB620](#): **Primary and Secondary Education - Reportable Offense - Alteration**

Dear Delegates,

We support and respectfully request that you vote for HB 620.

We support Delegate Chisholm's logic on this issue which is:

"Misdemeanor convictions will no longer be reported to schools, negatively impacting the safety of other students. These unreported misdemeanors include crimes like: Driving Under the Influence (DUI), Stalking, Drug Possession, Carrying a Firearm without a License, and Theft.

'I have heard many personal stories from constituents advocating against this bill. One story that really spoke to me is from a constituent whose child was convicted of a non-violent crime. After this conviction, under current state law, the child's school was notified and was able to intervene. This constituent's child, thanks in large part to the reporting and intervention, was able to turn their life around for the better and is now a productive member of our society and our state. If HB620 passes, the reporting that helped this child would no longer be allowed. This not only raises safety concerns for other students, but it also means that success stories like this one may have different outcome."

We expect you to PUT MARYLANDERS FIRST, especially our children, and support this bill.

Sincerely,

Christine Hunt and Jay Crouthers