

My name is Betsy Krieger. I have lived in Baltimore almost all my life and am currently a resident of the 41st District.

I am a Maryland resident who will have my taxes raised under both the Fair Share bill and the Governor's proposal. That is fine with me! As Oliver Wendell Holmes said: "Taxes are the price we pay for a civilized society."

A civilized society provides a good education for all its children- not just those in the over-\$500,000 tax bracket, who can afford private schools or million dollar houses in the best school districts.

A civilized society doesn't cap the number of infants and toddlers who have access to high quality childcare which allows their parents to work so they can provide for their families.

I am more than happy to pay additional taxes in order to live in a State that provides for all its residents. That's what a civilized society does.