

BILL: House Bill 1272
TITLE: Youth Sports Safety Advisory Commission
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COMMITTEE: Ways And Means
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The Maryland Association of Boards of Education (MABE), representing all the state's local boards of education, supports House Bill 1272, Youth Sports Safety Advisory Commission.

MABE believes its local school boards would benefit from a Youth Sports Safety Advisory Commission that is designed to study and make recommendations to minimize risk and maximize safety for youth athletes.

The study of evidence-based policies and practices is important for maximizing safety for youth athletes at different age levels and to better understand the stages of brain development based on national research. MABE and its statewide educational partners would benefit from recommendations of best practices for minimizing injury risk for youth athletes.

For these reasons, MABE respectfully requests a **FAVORABLE REPORT for House Bill 1272.**