

HB 1530 - FAV

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Testimony on House Bill 1530 – Favorable

HB 1530 Civil Actions - Higher Education - Undocumented Students - Out-of-State Tuition
Exemption Eligibility

Dear Honorable Chair Barnes, Vice Chair Kaiser , and Members of the Appropriations
Committee,

My name is Anna Rubin and I live in District 13, Howard County Maryland. I am writing in
support of HB 1530, Higher Education - Undocumented Students - Out-of-State Tuition
Exemption Eligibility. I am writing as a retired educator and community activist.

My Jewish values mandate the ultimate value of education and that we should enable everyone
who wishes to access as much education as possible. Education is the portal to so many things
- enhanced critical thinking, access to jobs in so many fields, and exposure to different
disciplines as well as diverse fellow students.

When undocumented youth wish to pursue higher education, we should not be putting
impediments in their way. Eliminating the need for the student or parent/guardian to file taxes
is the right thing to do.

For these reasons, I respectfully urge the committee to issue a favorable report on HB 1530.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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