



**TESTIMONY FOR HB0641**  
**Election Law – Curbside Voting – Pilot Program**

**Bill Sponsor:** Delegate Williams

**Committee:** House Government, Labor, and Elections

**Organization Submitting:** Maryland Legislative Coalition

**Person Submitting:** Aileen Alex, Cochair

**Position:** **FAVORABLE**

Chair, Vice Chair, and Members of the Committee,

I am submitting this testimony in support of HB0641 on behalf of the Maryland Legislative Coalition. We are an association of unpaid citizen advocates—individuals and grassroots groups in every district—representing more than 30,000 Marylanders.

HB0641 creates a curbside voting pilot program so Maryland can evaluate a simple idea: making it easier for people with mobility challenges, transportation barriers, or long wait times to cast a ballot. I have personally witnessed curbside voting used as intended in Virginia.

To me, this bill shows resistance to the federal SAVE Act and other efforts from the current administration are aimed at narrowing who can vote and making registration more difficult. HB0641 is one step toward moving Maryland in the opposite direction by strengthening access to the ballot box.

Voter suppression runs directly counter to the mission of the Maryland Legislative Coalition. Our work is rooted in helping Marylanders engage with their government and giving them the information they need to make informed voting decisions. When voting becomes harder, participation drops—and the people most affected are the ones who already face barriers. HB0641 helps ensure that Marylanders are not pushed out of the democratic process by obstacles that can be easily removed.

For these reasons, we respectfully urge a **FAVORABLE** report on HB0641.