

SB 245

Public Safety – Immigration Enforcement Agreements – Prohibition

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Support

I was born and raised in Maryland and currently attend the University of Maryland. I have always been proud of how diverse Maryland is and how safe I felt living in Maryland as a second-generation immigrant with immigrant parents. However, recently, I have not felt this same pride in my state. Now I am always concerned that my parents or friends could be profiled for their appearance or the language they speak. I see the news, and I know that there is little to nothing that separates me from people who have been arrested, brutalized, and even murdered by immigration enforcement.

I am tired of being afraid to go outside and speak my language with my family. I am tired of being afraid for other members of my community, and students and workers on campus. Most of all, I am tired of empty promises with no enforcement power. Resistance against the abuse of power and violence seen in federal immigration enforcement should not be up for question.

Protect the people of Maryland. Pass SB245.