

**SB 985/HB 1018:** Correctional Services - Immigration Detention Facilities - Minimum Mandatory Standards: Please vote to **OPPOSE** this bill.

Dear Judicial Proceedings Committee:

I am writing to respectfully **oppose SB 985/HB 1018**, concerning *Correctional Services – Immigration Detention Facilities – Minimum Mandatory Standards*.

While the humane treatment of individuals in detention is an important concern, this legislation raises significant questions about the appropriate role of state law in regulating facilities that operate under federal immigration authority.

Additionally, **creating a unique set of state-imposed operational standards for federally regulated facilities risks introducing duplicative or overlapping oversight structures**. These added layers of regulation could increase operational complexity without necessarily improving outcomes.

Maryland should not enact policies that could interfere with federal responsibilities or create inconsistencies between state and federal regulatory frameworks.

For these reasons, I respectfully urge you to **oppose SB 985/HB 1018**.

Thank you for your time and thoughtful consideration.

Respectfully,

Trudy Tibbals