

Testimony on Senate Bill – Favorable

SB 0001 – Public Safety – Law Enforcement Officers – Prohibition on Face Coverings

Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee

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Dear Honorable Chair Smith, Vice Chair Waldstreicher, and Members of the Committee,

My name is Debra Browne, and I am a resident of Leisure World in Silver Spring, Maryland. I am writing in support of **SB 0001 – Public Safety – Law Enforcement Officers – Prohibition on Face Coverings**.

It must be terrifying to have people, usually men, with their faces covered yelling orders at someone. Even more terrifying would be to be put in the back of an unmarked car by masked men. If it were to happen to me, I would be certain I was being kidnapped and upon further reflection I would be afraid for my life. There is no reason to allow masked enforcement agents to roam the streets.

I support **SB 0001**, and I respectfully urge the committee to issue a **favorable report** on **SB 0001**.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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