

SB 822/HB 467: Correctional Services - Maryland Parole Commission - Improvements in Transparency and Equity: Please vote to **OPPOSE** this bill.

Dear Judicial Proceedings Committee & Judiciary Committee:

I am writing to strongly urge you to **OPPOSE SB 822/HB 467**, *Correctional Services - Maryland Parole Commission - Improvements in Transparency and Equity*.

SB 822/HB 467 creates new mandates that would impose unnecessary administrative burdens on an already resource-strained correctional system, diverting time and funds from core functions like rehabilitation and security without clear evidence of widespread inequities in the existing framework.

Maryland's parole system already includes mechanisms for accountability and access to information; further expansions could lead to unintended consequences, such as increased workload for staff and a necessity for increased funding, ultimately harming taxpayer interests.

For these reasons, I respectfully ask you to **vote against SB 822/HB 467** and oppose measures that add excessive bureaucracy and additional funding necessities to our correctional services without proven benefits.

Thank you for your time and thoughtful consideration of my concerns with this bill.

Respectfully,

Trudy Tibbals