

Testimony on Senate Bill – Favorable

SB 1 Face Coverings – Prohibition

Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee

January 22, 2026

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

My name is Carolyn Mitchell, and I am a resident of Annapolis, Maryland. I am writing in support of **SB 1 Face Coverings – Prohibition**.

I support **SB 1** because the conduct of Immigration and Customs Enforcement is lawless and face coverings allow the individuals involved to act with a sense of impunity. There is nothing about the current administration's approach to ICE that is legitimate and when the regime is past history and the lawsuits begin, those who have assaulted fellow citizens should not be protected by a face mask from being hunted down and prosecuted. Like everyone else in this country who is not one of the indigenous tribes of America, I am from a line of immigrants and the hatred directed at the most recent immigrants is an outrage that cannot be tolerated much less abetted.

For these reasons, I respectfully urge the committee to issue a **favorable report** on **SB 1**.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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