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**Testimony on House Bill 630 – Favorable**

**HB 155 – Correctional Services - Immigration Detention Facilities - Original Design and Construction**  
**March 9, 2026**

Dear Honorable Chair Bartlett, Vice Chair Davis, and Members of the Committee,

I offer **favorable** testimony in support of **HB 630 – Correctional Services - Immigration Detention Facilities - Original Design and Construction.**

First of all, I am adamantly opposed to this administration’s race-based, human and constitutional rights violating, cruel mass deportation campaign. The vast majority of people kidnapped, detained and/or disappeared by DHS agents live quiet, hard working lives focused on making a better future for their children. Many thought they had appropriate immigration status, but over the year+ of the trump regime, chaos has ruled as various statuses for different groups are ruled illegal, challenged, made legal, then illegal again.

The U.S. has an ugly history of internment/concentration/detainment camps dating back to the turn of the 20th century. There have been several shameful eras where the U.S. has unfairly imprisoned different black, brown and colored people including Filipinos, Japanese, African Americans, and now mostly Latino. Other countries have adopted in horrifying ways the U.S. concentration camp model. See Nazi Germany, but many others too.

Maryland cannot be complicit in continuing this despicable practice.

