

Testimony on House Bill 0630—**FAVORABLE**

HB0630 Correctional Services - Immigration Detention Facilities - Original Design and Construction

House Judiciary Committee  
March 11, 2026

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

My name is Dr. Marcia Coe and I am a resident of St. Mary's County. I am writing in support of HB0630 Correctional Services - Immigration Detention Facilities - Original Design and Construction.

This bill prohibits the operation of an immigration detention center at any building that was not designed and constructed for that purpose. ICE is already housing detainees in overcrowded, unsanitary, and potentially dangerous conditions. This inhumane practice must stop.

I recommend that you read the open letter written by Project Saltbox for extensive details.

<https://projectsaltbox.substack.com/p/an-open-letter-from-the-team-at-project>

Respectfully submitted,  
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