

Dear House Judiciary Committee,

**Please support HB0083 (FAV).** This legislation is designed to close dangerous gaps in Maryland's Domestic Violence Protective Order process.

When a court determines that someone poses a risk in the context of domestic violence, that determination must be matched with clear, effective, and enforceable firearm safety procedures. Right now, Maryland law leaves too much uncertainty around firearm access, compliance, and enforcement, creating risk during the most dangerous moments for survivors and their families.

The Family and Law Enforcement Protection Act strengthens this process by establishing clear expectations, documentation, and accountability so that court orders are meaningful and enforceable.

Thank you,

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