

Dear Delegate [Charkoudian](#),

I am writing to support HB 332, the No Kings Act, and hope that it passes swiftly.

Currently, we each have the power to sue local and state officials if they violate our Constitutional rights, but there doesn't seem to be an avenue to pursue this with federal agents. They're acting with immunity, breaking car windows for fun and intimidation, holding children to lure out parents when they all have refugee status (Liam, age 5), breaking into homes without warrants, and shooting citizens who dare to watch them (Alex Good and Nicole Pretti).

If and when they come to Maryland in force, I want to know that they're legally required to follow the law the same way I'd expect our own law enforcement to follow the law. I want to see their faces and badge numbers prominently displayed. No more secret police, hiding behind masks, able to terrorize and kill us, and just move onto the next location without any justice. If they illegally break into my home, I want to be able to sue them for emotional damage and repair to my home, and not have to cover the cost of home repair and therapy myself – goodness knows insurance isn't going to take care of it.

And if they illegally go after my personal data, and get it without a proper warrant, I want this to allow me to sue over that as well. Per multiple news sources, they've already issued hundreds of administrative subpoenas to large tech companies, including Google, Meta/Facebook/Instagram, Reddit, and Discord, seeking identifying information for accounts that have criticized or discussed ICE activities online. Google has been emailing the subjects of the subpoena that they may sue in federal court in 7 days – otherwise, they'll just hand over the data. As if any single person has the capability to sue in federal court in 7 days!

There is nothing more American than criticizing the government. Apologies to present company, but you know it's true, and you know that right is not only enshrined, but revered. When sanity prevails again, we will need to address the role that these tech companies played in getting us here. For now, please know that I appreciate living in a state that learned from our history, and refuses to house concentration camps. While I personally believe that no human is illegal, I also understand that this regime will never have enough people without papers to fill those camps, and they will just expand to the next line of the poem. It certainly seems like the next group on their list would be the ones they're subpoenaing. I appreciate knowing that my state has my back.

Warmest Regards, and Feisty Strength

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