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TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB0444, Immigration Enforcement Agreements - Prohibition

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TO: Chair J. Sandy Bartlett & the House Judiciary Committee
FROM: Megan Christofield

Chair Bartlett and members of the House Judiciary Committee, my name is Megan Christofield, I live in Baltimore (Canton), Maryland, and I am writing to support HB0444, Immigration Enforcement Agreements - Prohibition, to prevent Maryland from entering into any 287g agreements.

As a Marylander of 15+ years (and before that, a Minnesotan), I do not want Kristi Noem's ICE agents endangering the everyday lives of myself and my neighbors. They have shown to be empowered and entitled bullies, literally rounding up American citizens for no good reason, and have been protected from their crimes and dangerous behavior. The firsthand accounts I hear from friends and family in Twin Cities are even more dire than what makes the news. Do not allow Maryland to enter into agreements with this organization.

Please let Maryland be a safer place for all of us than elsewhere in our country. Prohibiting this Administration's lawless, bullying, gestapo-esque ICE agents from working with Maryland law enforcement agencies is a big step towards keeping us all safe. I urge you to support HB0444 and help ensure that Maryland's law enforcement is being held to the highest standards of conduct.

Thank you,
Megan