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**TESTIMONY ON HB332 - POSITION: (FAVORABLE
Civil Actions - Violation of Constitutional Rights (No Kings Act)**

TO: Chair Bartlet, Vice Chair Davis, and other members of the House Judiciary Committee

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OPENING: My name is Cindy Brach. I am a resident of District 20. I am submitting this testimony in support of/ HB 332 Civil Actions - Violation of Constitutional Rights (No Kings Act).

This past year we have seen federal officials such as Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and Custom and Border Protection (CBP) agents perpetrate horrific violence against people living in the United States by. They have racially profiled their victims and have used excessive force. They have violated constitutional rights, such as 4th amendment rights, and they have done all this impunity.

Maryland must hold these federal agents accountable for their unlawful actions. I hope that if ICE and CBP agents know that they can and will be held accountable for their actions, they might show more restraint. And if they do not, at least they will be liable for some of the damage that they have wrought.

Right now my neighbors are afraid to walk their children to school. They are afraid of going to the grocery store or going to work. Maryland must do what it can to protect our residents and provide them an avenue to be compensated for harm caused by illegal federal actions.

We cannot stand by while federal agents are intimidating and harming Maryland residents. And we cannot let ourselves be intimidated by federal threats to Maryland for standing up for the rule of law. I **respectfully urge this committee to return a favorable report on HB#332.**