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County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2020 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 15

Bill No. 63 -2020

Introduced by: Opel Jones

AN ACT providing that County employees, departments and agents' shall take, or refrain from taking, specified actions with respect to the immigration status of specified individuals; prohibiting certain discrimination based on immigration status; requiring that certain information related to citizenship, nationality or immigration status be kept confidential; providing a procedure whenever specified provisions may be preempted by other law; requiring specified officials to take actions under certain circumstances; specifying which actions may and may not be taken by certain County departments, officers, and officials during participation on certain task forces; requiring County departments to adopt specified policies and make specified reports; governing the expenditure of certain County resources; and generally relating to human rights in Howard County.

Introduced and read first time November 2, 2020. Ordered posted and hearing scheduled

By order 
Diane Schwartz Jones, Administrator

Having been posted and notice of time & place of hearing & title of Bill having been published according to Charter, the Bill was read for a second time at a public hearing on November 16, 2020.

By order 
Diane Schwartz Jones, Administrator

This Bill was read the third time on December 2, 2020 and Passed , Passed with amendments X, Failed .

By order 
Diane Schwartz Jones, Administrator

Sealed with the County Seal and presented to the County Executive for approval this 5th day of December, 2020 at 4 a.m./p.m.

By order 
Diane Schwartz Jones, Administrator

Approved by the County Executive December 10, 2020


Calvin Ball, County Executive

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing law; TEXT IN SMALL CAPITALS indicates additions to existing law; Strike-out indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment

1 **WHEREAS**, Howard County is comprised of immigrants from throughout the world who contribute to
2 our community's social vitality, cultural richness, and economic strength; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Howard County has a strong tradition of leadership on issues of human rights, respecting
4 the rights of and providing equal services to all individuals, regardless of race, ethnicity, or
5 immigration status; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the Howard County Council wishes to ensure that all residents of Howard County,
7 regardless of nationality or citizenship, shall have fair and equal access to County benefits,
8 opportunities, and services;

9 *Section 1. Be It Enacted by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland, that the Howard County*
10 *Code is amended as follows:*

11 *By adding:*

12 *Title 12 - Health and social services.*

13 *Subtitle 21 - Rights of non-U.S. citizens*

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15 **Title 12 - Health and social services.**

16 **SUBTITLE 21 - RIGHTS OF NON-U.S. CITIZENS**

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18 **12.2100. DEFINITIONS.**

19 (A) IN THIS SUBTITLE, THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

20 (B) AGENT MEANS ANY PERSON EMPLOYED BY OR ACTING ON BEHALF OF A DEPARTMENT,
21 INCLUDING CONTRACTORS OR OTHER INDIVIDUALS, ORGANIZATIONS, BUSINESSES OR OTHER ENTITIES
22 NOT CONSIDERED EMPLOYEES AS DEFINED IN THIS SECTION.

23 ~~(B)(C)~~ (1) *EMPLOYEE* MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS CONSIDERED TO BE AN EMPLOYEE
24 UNDER THE HOWARD COUNTY MERIT SYSTEM.

25 (2) *EMPLOYEE* INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO:

26 (I) AN OFFICER OF THE HOWARD COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT; AND

27 (II) AN ELECTED OR APPOINTED OFFICIAL.

28 (D) CONTRACTOR IS A CONTRACTOR HIRED BY HOWARD COUNTY.

1 (E) DEPARTMENT MEANS ANY COUNTY DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, DIVISION, COMMISSION,
2 COUNCIL, COMMITTEE, BOARD, OTHER BODY OR PERSON ESTABLISHED BY CHARTER, ORDINANCE,
3 EXECUTIVE ORDER, OR COUNTY COUNCIL ACTION.

4 ~~(E)~~(F) EXISTING INTERGOVERNMENTAL SERVICE AGREEMENT MEANS AN EXECUTED WRITTEN
5 AGREEMENT BETWEEN HOWARD COUNTY AND IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT IN EFFECT
6 ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE ACT THAT ENACTED THIS SUBTITLE 21.

7 ~~(E)~~(G)(1) IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT MEANS A UNIT OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT THAT
8 ENFORCES IMMIGRATION LAWS.

9 (2) IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, THE UNITED STATES
10 DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT.

11 (H) COUNTY RESOURCES INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, ANY COUNTY MONIES,
12 FACILITIES, PROPERTY, EQUIPMENT, PERSONNEL, OR OTHER ASSETS FUNDED AS A WHOLE OR IN PART BY
13 HOWARD COUNTY.

14 (I) OFFICER IN CHARGE MEANS THE OFFICER IN CHARGE OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT
15 OFFICERS ASSIGNED TO THE TASK FORCE, THE CHIEF OF POLICE, OR COUNTY SHERIFF.

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17 **12.2101. FEDERAL OR STATE PREEMPTION ~~OR CONFLICTS.~~**

18 (A) A PROVISION OF THIS SUBTITLE SHALL NOT APPLY WHENEVER THE PROVISION ~~CONFLICTS-~~
19 ~~WITH IS PREEMPTED BY~~ STATE OR FEDERAL LAW, INTERNATIONAL TREATY, OR AN EXISTING
20 INTERGOVERNMENTAL SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND A FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL
21 AGENCY. HOWARD COUNTY AND IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT.

22 (B) THIS SUBTITLE DOES NOT PROHIBIT THE HOWARD COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT FROM:

23 (1) INVESTIGATING OR ARRESTING VIOLATORS OF THE STATE OR LOCAL CRIMINAL
24 LAW; OR

25 (2) ASSISTING A FEDERAL AGENCY WITH INVESTIGATIONS OR ARRESTS RELATING TO
26 CRIMINAL ACTIVITY, OR SUSPECTED CRIMINAL ACTIVITY, OTHER THAN VIOLATIONS OF THE IMMIGRATION
27 AND NATIONALITY LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES.

1 (3) PARTICIPATING IN TASK FORCES WITH OTHER JURISDICTIONS TO INVESTIGATE,
2 ENFORCE, AND PROSECUTE CRIMINAL ACTIVITY, EVEN IF THE TASK FORCE INCLUDES IMMIGRATION
3 ENFORCEMENT, PROVIDED THAT COUNTY RESOURCES ARE NOT USED FOR THE PURPOSE OF CIVIL
4 IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT.

5 (I) WHEN PARTICIPATING IN A TASK FORCE UNDER THIS PROVISION, THE COUNTY POLICE
6 DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT DISCLOSE ANY INFORMATION REGARDING THE CITIZENSHIP,
7 NATIONALITY, OR IMMIGRATION STATUS OF AN INDIVIDUAL TO ANOTHER LOCAL, STATE, OR
8 FEDERAL AGENCY.

9 (II) WHEN PARTICIPATING IN A TASK FORCE UNDER THIS PROVISION, SECTION 12.2103
10 SHALL BE ENFORCED SO AS TO REQUIRE THAT THE COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS AND
11 OFFICIALS, EXCEPT AS AUTHORIZED IN 12.2103(B), SHALL NOT ASK ANY PERSON ABOUT HIS OR
12 HER CITIZENSHIP, NATIONALITY, OR IMMIGRATION STATUS, NOR ASK ANY PERSON ABOUT THE
13 CITIZENSHIP, NATIONALITY, OR IMMIGRATION STATUS OF ANOTHER PERSON.

14 (III) WHEN PARTICIPATING IN A TASK FORCE UNDER THIS PROVISION, IF AT ANY TIME AN
15 OFFICER IN CHARGE OF THE COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT REASONABLY BELIEVES THAT THE
16 TASK FORCE IS NOT PRIMARILY ACTING TO INVESTIGATE OR ENFORCE CRIMINAL LAW, BUT
17 INSTEAD AS A PRETEXT FOR IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT, THE COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT
18 SHALL IMMEDIATELY CEASE ASSISTANCE AND WITHDRAW FROM THE TASK FORCE

19 (C) THIS SUBTITLE DOES NOT PROHIBIT DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION REGARDING CITIZENSHIP
20 OR IMMIGRATION STATUS IF THE DISCLOSURE IS:

21 (1) REQUIRED BY COUNTY, STATE, OR FEDERAL LAW, INTERNATIONAL TREATY, OR
22 BY AN EXISTING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND A FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL AGENCY; AN
23 EXISTING INTERGOVERNMENTAL SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN HOWARD COUNTY AND IMMIGRATION
24 AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT;

25 (2) REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 23-1405 OF THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARTICLE
26 OF THE MARYLAND CODE;

27 (3) AUTHORIZED IN WRITING BY THE SUBJECT OF THE INFORMATION; OR

1 (4) MADE TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE IN CONNECTION WITH AN
2 APPLICATION FOR A UNITED STATES PASSPORT.

3 **12.2102. NO ENFORCEMENT OF IMMIGRATION LAWS.**

4 (A) ~~IN THE PERFORMANCE OF OFFICIAL DUTIES~~ WHEN ACTING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF
5 EMPLOYMENT, AN EMPLOYEE, DEPARTMENT, OR AGENT SHALL NOT ENGAGE IN THE ENFORCEMENT OF
6 THE IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES AND SHALL NOT ASSIST
7 IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT IN THE INVESTIGATION OR ARREST OF A PERSON FOR A CIVIL OR CRIMINAL
8 VIOLATION OF THE IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES, EXCEPT AS
9 REQUIRED BY STATE OR FEDERAL LAW, INTERNATIONAL TREATY, OR AN EXISTING AGREEMENT BETWEEN
10 THE COUNTY AND A FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL AGENCY.

11 (B)(1) ~~IN THE PERFORMANCE OF OFFICIAL DUTIES~~ WHEN ACTING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF
12 EMPLOYMENT, AN EMPLOYEE, DEPARTMENT, OR AGENT SHALL NOT ASSIST IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT
13 IN THE COLLECTION OR DISTRIBUTION OF INFORMATION ABOUT ANY PERSON, EXCEPT AS REQUIRED BY
14 STATE OF FEDERAL LAW, INTERNATIONAL TREATY, OR AN EXISTING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY
15 AND A FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL AGENCY.

16 (2) THE PROHIBITIONS IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION INCLUDE PROHIBITING:

17 ~~“(3) DISCLOSE (i) THE DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION ABOUT ANY PERSON TO IMMIGRATION~~
18 ~~ENFORCEMENT; OR~~

19 ~~(4) EXPEND (ii) THE EXPENDITURE OF COUNTY RESOURCES TO ASSIST OR FACILITATE CIVIL~~
20 ~~IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT, UNLESS THE EMPLOYEE ACTION IS EXPRESSLY AUTHORIZED~~
21 ~~UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.”~~

1 **12.2103. ~~NO INQUIRIES INTO CITIZENSHIP~~ PROHIBITION ON INQUIRIES RELATED TO CITIZENSHIP,**
2 **NATIONALITY OR IMMIGRATION STATUS.**

3 (A) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, ~~IN THE PERFORMANCE OF~~
4 ~~OFFICIAL DUTIES WHEN ACTING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF EMPLOYMENT,~~ AN EMPLOYEE, ~~DEPARTMENT, OR~~
5 ~~AGENT OF HOWARD COUNTY~~ SHALL NOT ASK ANY PERSON ABOUT:

6 (1) HIS OR HER CITIZENSHIP, NATIONALITY, OR IMMIGRATION STATUS; OR

7 (2) THE CITIZENSHIP OR IMMIGRATION STATUS OF ANOTHER PERSON.

8 (B) THIS SECTION DOES NOT PROHIBIT:

9 (1) THE COLLECTION OF INFORMATION REGARDING CITIZENSHIP STATUS IN CONNECTION
10 WITH THE REGISTRATION OR ATTEMPTED REGISTRATION TO VOTE IN COUNTY ELECTIONS;

11 (2) INQUIRIES REGARDING THE CITIZENSHIP OF APPLICANTS FOR POSITIONS AS SWORN
12 OFFICERS WITH THE HOWARD COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT OR THE HOWARD COUNTY
13 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS;

14 (3) THE COLLECTION OF INFORMATION IN CONNECTION WITH APPLICATIONS FOR UNITED
15 STATES PASSPORTS;

16 (4) INQUIRIES REGARDING THE CITIZENSHIP OR IMMIGRATION STATUS OF EMPLOYEES
17 AND APPLICANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT WITH THE COUNTY AS REQUIRED BY TITLE 8, CHAPTER 12,
18 SUBCHAPTER II, PART VIII, OF THE UNITED STATES CODE; OR

19 ~~(5) INQUIRIES REGARDING CITIZENSHIP OR IMMIGRATION STATUS REQUIRED BY STATE~~
20 ~~OR FEDERAL LAW, INCLUDING 8 U.S. CODE § 1373, INTERNATIONAL TREATY, OR AN EXISTING~~
21 ~~AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND A FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL AGENCY.~~

22 (5) RESPONDING TO INQUIRIES REGARDING CITIZENSHIP OR IMMIGRATION
23 STATUS IN COMPLIANCE WITH STATE OR FEDERAL LAW, INCLUDING 8 U.S. CODE §
24 1373 OR INTERNATIONAL TREATY, PROVIDED THAT RESPONDING TO SUCH INQUIRIES
25 DOES NOT INCLUDE THE GATHERING OF THE CITIZENSHIP OR IMMIGRATION STATUS

1 OF ANY INDIVIDUAL OR OTHER EXPENDITURE OF COUNTY RESOURCES PROHIBITED
2 UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.”

3 **12.2104. DISCRIMINATION BASED ON CITIZENSHIP, NATIONALITY OR IMMIGRATION STATUS**
4 **PROHIBITED.**

5 IN THE PERFORMANCE OF OFFICIAL DUTIES WHEN ACTING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF
6 EMPLOYMENT, AN EMPLOYEE, DEPARTMENT OR AGENT OF HOWARD COUNTY SHALL NOT
7 DISCRIMINATE AGAINST ANY PERSON ON THE BASIS OF CITIZENSHIP, NATIONALITY, OR
8 IMMIGRATION STATUS.

9 **12.2105. CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION ABOUT CITIZENSHIP STATUS.**

10 ~~AN EMPLOYEE~~ EMPLOYEES, DEPARTMENTS, AND AGENTS OF HOWARD COUNTY SHALL NOT
11 DISCLOSE ANY INFORMATION REGARDING THE CITIZENSHIP, NATIONALITY, OR IMMIGRATION STATUS OF
12 AN INDIVIDUAL TO A THIRD PARTY EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 12.2101(C) OF THIS SECTION.

13 **12.2106 PENALTY.**

14 AN EMPLOYEE WHO VIOLATES THIS SUBTITLE SHALL BE SANCTIONED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE
15 RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE PERSONNEL SYSTEM AND APPLICABLE LAW.

16 **12.2107 ENFORCEMENT.**

17 (A) COMPLAINTS OF NONCOMPLIANCE WITH THIS SUBTITLE SHALL BE FILED WITH THE OFFICE OF
18 HUMAN RIGHTS AND EQUITY AND THE DEPARTMENT OF COUNTY ADMINISTRATION.

19 (B) THE OFFICE OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND EQUITY AND THE DEPARTMENT OF COUNTY
20 ADMINISTRATION SHALL REVIEW THE COMPLIANCE OF THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, AGENCIES,
21 COMMISSIONS AND EMPLOYEES WITH THE MANDATES OF THIS SUBTITLE WHEN THERE IS QUESTION OF
22 NONCOMPLIANCE OR WHEN A COMPLAINT ALLEGING NONCOMPLIANCE HAS BEEN LODGED

23 **12.2106-12.2108 CHANGES IN PRACTICES.**

24 (A) WHENEVER THE COUNTY SOLICITOR LEARNS OF A STATE OR FEDERAL LAW OR
25 INTERNATIONAL TREATY THAT MAY PREEMPT THIS SUBTITLE, THE COUNTY SOLICITOR SHALL ADVISE
26 THE COUNTY COUNCIL AND THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE:

1 (1) ABOUT THE LAW OR TREATY; AND

2 (2) WHETHER THE COUNTY SHOULD CHANGE ANY PRACTICES UNDER OR PROVISIONS OF
3 THIS SUBTITLE.

4 (B) THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE SHALL NOTIFY THE PUBLIC OF ANY CHANGES IN PRACTICES
5 MADE AS A RESULT OF THIS SECTION.

6 **12.2109. DIRECTIVES TO DEPARTMENTS.**

7 (A) ALL DEPARTMENTS SHALL:

8 (1) DEVELOP POLICIES CONSISTENT WITH IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS ACT WITHIN 90
9 DAYS;

10 (2) MAKE POLICIES DEVELOPED BY DEPARTMENTS PUBLICLY AVAILABLE;

11 (3) REPORT TO THE COUNTY COUNCIL AND COUNTY EXECUTIVE EVERY SIX (6) MONTHS
12 THE NUMBER OF REQUESTS RECEIVED FROM IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS AND THE
13 MANNER IN WHICH EACH REQUEST WAS HANDLED, AS WELL AS WHETHER ANY COUNTY
14 EMPLOYEE, AGENT, OFFICER OR OFFICIAL VIOLATED ANY SECTION OF THIS SUBTITLE; AND

15 (4) RESPOND TO ANY REQUEST FOR INFORMATION FOR MATTERS COVERED UNDER THIS
16 SUBTITLE BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME
17 NOT TO EXCEED 15 DAYS.

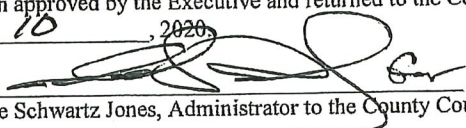
18 (B) POLICIES DEVELOPED BY DEPARTMENTS MUST DELINEATE EMPLOYMENT CONSEQUENCES FOR
19 FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH DEVELOPED POLICIES

20 *Section 2. And Be It Further Enacted by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland, that this Act*
21 *shall become effective 61 days after its enactment.*
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BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having been approved by the Executive and returned to the Council, stands enacted on

December 10, 2020.


Diane Schwartz Jones, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having been passed by the yeas and nays of two-thirds of the members of the Council notwithstanding the objections of the Executive, stands enacted on _____, 2020.

Diane Schwartz Jones, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having received neither the approval nor the disapproval of the Executive within ten days of its presentation, stands enacted on _____, 2020.

Diane Schwartz Jones, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, not having been considered on final reading within the time required by Charter, stands failed for want of consideration on _____, 2020.

Diane Schwartz Jones, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having been disapproved by the Executive and having failed on passage upon consideration by the Council stands failed on _____, 2020.

Diane Schwartz Jones, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, the withdrawal of which received a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Council, is withdrawn from further consideration on _____, 2020.

Diane Schwartz Jones, Administrator to the County Council

Amendment 1 to Council Bill No. 63-2020

BY: Opel Jones,
Christiana Rigby, and Liz Walsh

Legislative Day No. 17

Date: December 7, 2020

Amendment No. 1

(This Amendment adds definitions of "agent," "contractor," "department," "County resources," and "officer in charge" and changes the defined term "existing agreement" to be "existing intergovernmental service agreement".)

1 On the title page, in the purpose paragraph, in the first line after "employees" insert "departments and agents".

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3 On page 2:

- 4 • After line 19, insert:

5 "(B) AGENT MEANS ANY PERSON EMPLOYED BY OR ACTING ON BEHALF OF A DEPARTMENT,
6 INCLUDING CONTRACTORS OR OTHER INDIVIDUALS, ORGANIZATIONS, BUSINESSES OR OTHER
7 ENTITIES NOT CONSIDERED EMPLOYEES AS DEFINED IN THIS SECTION."

- 8 • In line 20, strike "(B)" and substitute "(C)"

- 9 • after line 24, insert

10 "(D) CONTRACTOR IS A CONTRACTOR HIRED BY HOWARD COUNTY.

11 (E) DEPARTMENT MEANS ANY COUNTY DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, DIVISION, COMMISSION, COUNCIL,
12 COMMITTEE, BOARD, OTHER BODY OR PERSON ESTABLISHED BY CHARTER, ORDINANCE,
13 EXECUTIVE ORDER, OR COUNTY COUNCIL ACTION."

- 14 • In line 25, strike "(C)" and substitute "(F)", and after "EXISTING" insert "INTERGOVERNMENTAL
15 SERVICE", and after "WRITTEN AGREEMENT" insert "BETWEEN HOWARD COUNTY AND
16 IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT"

- 17 • In line 27, strike "(D)" and substitute "(G)"

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19 On page 3:

- 20 • After line 2, insert:

21 "(H) COUNTY RESOURCES INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, ANY COUNTY MONIES, FACILITIES,
22 PROPERTY, EQUIPMENT, PERSONNEL, OR OTHER ASSETS FUNDED AS A WHOLE OR IN PART BY
23 HOWARD COUNTY."

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24 (1) OFFICER IN CHARGE MEANS THE OFFICER IN CHARGE OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS
25 ASSIGNED TO THE TASK FORCE, THE CHIEF OF POLICE, OR COUNTY SHERIFF.”
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Amendment 2 to Council Bill No. 63-2020

BY: Opel Jones,
Christiana Rigby, and Liz Walsh

Legislative Day No. 17

Date: December 7, 2020

Amendment No. 2

(This Amendment provides that County resources may not be used for civil immigration enforcement; generally prohibits County participants in task forces from asking about or disclosing citizenship, immigration, or nationality status; and provides that the County must withdraw from a task force that is not primarily acting to investigate or enforce criminal law, but instead as a pretext for immigration enforcement.)

1 On the title page, in the purpose paragraph, in the fifth line after the second semicolon, insert
2 “specifying which actions may and may not be taken by certain County departments, officers,
3 and officials during participation on certain task forces;”

4 On page 3:

- 5 • In line 4, strike “OR CONFLICTS”.
- 6 • Beginning in line 5, strike “CONFLICTS WITH” and substitute “IS PREEMPTED BY”.
- 7 • In line 6, after “EXISTING” insert “INTERGOVERNMENTAL SERVICE” and strike “THE”
- 8 • Strike line 7 and substitute “HOWARD COUNTY AND IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS
9 ENFORCEMENT.”
- 10 • In line 9, before “CRIMINAL” insert “STATE OR LOCAL”
- 11 • In line 15, before the period, insert “, PROVIDED THAT COUNTY RESOURCES ARE NOT USED FOR
12 THE PURPOSE OF CIVIL IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT”
- 13 • After line 15, insert:

14 “(I) WHEN PARTICIPATING IN A TASK FORCE UNDER THIS PROVISION, THE COUNTY POLICE
15 DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT DISCLOSE ANY INFORMATION REGARDING THE CITIZENSHIP,
16 NATIONALITY, OR IMMIGRATION STATUS OF AN INDIVIDUAL TO ANOTHER LOCAL, STATE, OR
17 FEDERAL AGENCY.”

18 “(II) WHEN PARTICIPATING IN A TASK FORCE UNDER THIS PROVISION, SECTION 12.2103
19 SHALL BE ENFORCED SO AS TO REQUIRE THAT THE COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS AND
20 OFFICIALS, EXCEPT AS AUTHORIZED IN 12.2103(B), SHALL NOT ASK ANY PERSON ABOUT HIS OR

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Dianna Schwartz Jones

21 HER CITIZENSHIP, NATIONALITY, OR IMMIGRATION STATUS, NOR ASK ANY PERSON ABOUT THE
22 CITIZENSHIP, NATIONALITY, OR IMMIGRATION STATUS OF ANOTHER PERSON.

23 (III) WHEN PARTICIPATING IN A TASK FORCE UNDER THIS PROVISION, IF AT ANY TIME AN
24 OFFICER IN CHARGE OF THE COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT REASONABLY BELIEVES THAT THE
25 TASK FORCE IS NOT PRIMARILY ACTING TO INVESTIGATE OR ENFORCE CRIMINAL LAW, BUT
26 INSTEAD AS A PRETEXT FOR IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT, THE COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT
27 SHALL IMMEDIATELY CEASE ASSISTANCE AND WITHDRAW FROM THE TASK FORCE.”

- 28 • Strike line 19 and substitute “AN EXISTING INTERGOVERNMENTAL SERVICE AGREEMENT
29 BETWEEN HOWARD COUNTY AND IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT.”

Amendment 3 to Council Bill No. 63-2020

BY: David Yungmann

Legislative Day No. 17

Date: December 7, 2020

Amendment No. 3

(This Amendment allows the County to accept certain individuals under specified circumstances.)

On page 4:

- in line 1, after "LAWS" insert "; DETAINERS".
- after line 11, insert:

"(C) A UNIT OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT MAY ACCEPT AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS SUBJECT TO
A DETAINER ISSUED BY IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT IF THE INDIVIDUAL:
(1) HAS BEEN CONVICTED OF A CRIME; OR
(2) IS ON THE CONSOLIDATED TERRORIST WATCH LIST OF THE UNITES STATES
TERRORIST SCREENING CENTER."

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December 7, 2020
David Yungmann

Amendment 4 to Council Bill No. 63-2020

**BY: Opel Jones,
Christiana Rigby, and Liz Walsh**

Legislative Day No. 17

Date: December 7, 2020

Amendment No. 4

(This Amendment generally prohibits the disclosure of information about any person to immigration enforcement; or the expenditure of County resources (including but not limited to facilities, equipment, cell phones, office supplies, radios, emails, databases and employee time) to assist or facilitate civil immigration enforcement.)

1 On the title page, in the purpose paragraph, in the first line after “employees” insert “departments and agents” and in the fifth line after the second semicolon insert “governing the
2 expenditure of certain County resources.”
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4 On page 4:

- 5 • In lines 2 and 8, strike “IN THE PERFORMANCE OF OFFICIAL DUTIES” and substitute “WHEN
6 ACTING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF EMPLOYMENT” in both cases.

- 7 • In lines 2 and 8, after “EMPLOYEE” insert “, DEPARTMENT, OR AGENT” in both cases.

- 8 • In line 8, after “(B)” insert “(1)”

- 9 • After line 11, insert:

10 (2) THE PROHIBITIONS IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION INCLUDE PROHIBITING
11 “(3) DISCLOSE (i) THE DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION ABOUT ANY PERSON TO IMMIGRATION
12 ENFORCEMENT; OR

13 (4) EXPEND (ii) THE EXPENDITURE OF COUNTY RESOURCES TO ASSIST OR FACILITATE CIVIL
14 IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT, UNLESS THE EMPLOYEE ACTION IS EXPRESSLY AUTHORIZED
15 UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.”

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December 7, 2020

Deane J. Jones

Amendment 1 Amendment 4 to Council Bill No. 63-2020

**BY: Opel Jones,
Christiana Rigby, and Liz Walsh**

Legislative Day No. 17

Date: December 7, 2020

Amendment No. 1

(This Amendment makes technical corrections.)

- 1 On page 1, in line 8, after “(B)” insert “(1)”.
- 2 On page 1, in line 9, before “(3)” insert “(2) THE PROHIBITIONS IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS
- 3 SUBSECTION INCLUDE PROHIBITING:”.
- 4 On page 1, in line 9, strike “(3) DISCLOSE” and substitute “(i) THE DISCLOSURE OF”.
- 5 On page 1, in line 10, strike “(4) EXPEND” and substitute “(ii) THE EXPENDITURE OF”.
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Amendment 5 to Council Bill No. 63-2020

BY: Christiana Rigby and Liz Walsh

Legislative Day No. 17

Date: December 7, 2020

Amendment No. 5

(This Amendment expands the prohibitions related to citizenship, nationality, or immigration to also cover departments and agents of the County; and prohibits the gathering of citizenship or immigration status or expenditure of County resources for that purpose.)

On the title page, in the purpose paragraph, in the first line after “employees” insert “, departments and agents”; in the third line after “citizenship” insert “, nationality or immigration”.

On page 4:

- In line 12, strike “**NO INQUIRIES INTO CITIZENSHIP**” and substitute “**PROHIBITION ON INQUIRIES RELATED TO CITIZENSHIP, NATIONALITY OR IMMIGRATION STATUS**”
- Beginning in line 13, strike “IN THE PERFORMANCE OF OFFICIAL DUTIES,” and substitute “WHEN ACTING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF EMPLOYMENT”
- In line 14, after “EMPLOYEE” insert “, DEPARTMENT, OR AGENT OF HOWARD COUNTY”

On page 5:

- Strike lines 4 to 6 in their entirety and substitute:
“(5) RESPONDING TO INQUIRIES REGARDING CITIZENSHIP OR IMMIGRATION STATUS IN COMPLIANCE WITH STATE OR FEDERAL LAW, INCLUDING 8 U.S. CODE § 1373 OR INTERNATIONAL TREATY, PROVIDED THAT RESPONDING TO SUCH INQUIRIES DOES NOT INCLUDE THE GATHERING OF THE CITIZENSHIP OR IMMIGRATION STATUS OF ANY INDIVIDUAL OR OTHER EXPENDITURE OF COUNTY RESOURCES PROHIBITED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.”
- In line 7, after “CITIZENSHIP” insert “, NATIONALITY OR IMMIGRATION STATUS”.
- In line 8, strike “IN THE PERFORMANCE OF OFFICIAL DUTIES” and substitute “WHEN ACTING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF EMPLOYMENT”
- ” and after “EMPLOYEE” insert “, DEPARTMENT OR AGENT OF HOWARD COUNTY”
- In line 11, strike “AN EMPLOYEE” and substitute “EMPLOYEES, DEPARTMENTS, AND AGENTS OF HOWARD COUNTY”

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Amendment 1 to Amendment 6 to Council Bill No. 63 -2020

**BY: Opel Jones and
Christiana Rigby**

**Legislative Day 17
Date: December 7, 2020**

Amendment No. 1

(This amendment corrects the name of the Office of Human Rights and Equity and strikes reference to the Department of County Administration because the OHRE is part of County Administration.)

- 1 On page 1, in lines 7 and 8, in each instance, after "RIGHTS" insert "AND EQUITY".
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- 5 Human Rights and Equity".

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Amendment 6 to Council Bill No. 63-2020

BY: Opel Jones and
Christiana Rigby

Legislative Day No. 17

Date: December 7, 2020

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BY: Opel Jones,
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10 (3) REPORT TO THE COUNTY COUNCIL AND COUNTY EXECUTIVE EVERY SIX (6) MONTHS

11 THE NUMBER OF REQUESTS RECEIVED FROM IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS AND THE

12 MANNER IN WHICH EACH REQUEST WAS HANDLED, AS WELL AS WHETHER ANY COUNTY

13 EMPLOYEE, AGENT, OFFICER OR OFFICIAL VIOLATED ANY SECTION OF THIS SUBTITLE; AND

14 (4) RESPOND TO ANY REQUEST FOR INFORMATION FOR MATTERS COVERED UNDER THIS

15 SUBTITLE BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME

16 NOT TO EXCEED 15 DAYS.

17 (B) POLICIES DEVELOPED BY DEPARTMENTS MUST DELINEATE EMPLOYMENT CONSEQUENCES FOR

18 FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH DEVELOPED POLICIES."
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Amendment 1 to Amendment 7 to Council Bill No. 63-2020

**BY: Christiana Rigby,
Opel Jones, and Liz Walsh**

Legislative Day No. 17

Date: December 7, 2020

Amendment No. 1

(This Amendment requires Departments to respond to certain requests within 15 days.)

1 On page 1, in line 15, after "A REASONABLE TIME" insert "NOT TO EXCEED 15 DAYS".

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Amendment 8 to Council Bill No. 63-2020

BY: Liz Walsh

Legislative Day No. 17

Date: December 7, 2020

Amendment No. 8

(This Amendment codifies existing, written, Executive policy.)

On page 3:

- strike lines 18 and 19 in their entirety;
- in line 20, strike “(2)” and substitute “(1)”;
- after line 24, insert

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~~“(4) NO PROVISION IN THIS SUBTITLE SHALL BE INTERPRETED AS PREVENTING A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENT FROM SENDING TO OR RECEIVING FROM ANY LOCAL, STATE, OR FEDERAL AGENCY INFORMATION REGARDING THE CITIZENSHIP OR IMMIGRATION STATUS OF AN INDIVIDUAL IF REQUIRED UNDER SECTIONS 1373 AND 1644 OF TITLE 8 OF THE UNITED STATES CODE, STATE LAW OR REGULATION, COURT ORDER, EXTRADITION AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER AGREEMENT THAT ALLOWS A COUNTY AGENCY TO ACCEPT CUSTODY OF AN INDIVIDUAL PURSUANT TO A CRIMINAL WARRANT.”~~

On page 4, strike lines 1 through 11 in their entirety and substitute:

“12.2102. CIVIL IMMIGRATION:

~~(A) (1) NO COUNTY EMPLOYEE, AGENT OR AGENCY MAY COORDINATE WITH AN IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL IN FURTHERANCE OF A CIVIL IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT OPERATION, INCLUDING BY:~~

- ~~— (I) PERMITTING IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS ACCESS TO NON-PUBLIC SPACE WITHIN A GOVERNMENT FACILITY OR ANY AREA WHERE COUNTY BUSINESS IS BEING CONDUCTED;~~
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PURPOSES:

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~~OR~~

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~~— (2) ANY INTENTIONAL VIOLATION OF A PROVISION OF THIS SUBTITLE BY A COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY AGENT, OFFICER, EMPLOYEE OR OFFICIAL SHALL BE REFERRED TO THE INDIVIDUAL'S APPOINTING AUTHORITY FOR APPROPRIATE DISCIPLINE.~~

~~(B) HOWARD COUNTY WILL ONLY ACCEPT DETAINEES FROM IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT FOR THE PURPOSES OF TEMPORARY HOUSING UNDER THE COUNTY INTER-GOVERNMENTAL SERVICES AGREEMENT IF THOSE INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN CONVICTED OF A CRIME OF VIOLENCE AS DEFINED IN MARYLAND CRIMINAL LAW CODE ANNOTATED SECTION 14-101.~~

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~~(D) THE PROVISIONS SET OUT IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION DO NOT APPLY TO AUDITS OR OTHER ACTIONS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE TERMS OR PURPOSE OF THE INTER-GOVERNMENTAL SERVICES AGREEMENT."~~

On page 5, after line 13, insert:

"12.2106. REPORTING.

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Also on page 5, in line 14, strike "~~12.2106~~" and substitute "12.2107".

"On page 4, in line 2, after "(A)" insert "(1)".

On page 4, in line 4, after "ASSIST" insert "OR COORDINATE WITH".

On page 4, after line 7, insert:

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On page 4, at the end of new (c)(4), which was added by Amendment 4 to Council Bill 63, before the period, insert:

“, INCLUDING BY DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY PROVIDING ACCESS TO IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS OF CONFIDENTIAL PERSONAL INFORMATION, UNLESS THE EMPLOYEE’S ACTION IS EXPRESSLY AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE”

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"(D) HOWARD COUNTY WILL ONLY ACCEPT DETAINEES FROM IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT FOR THE PURPOSES OF TEMPORARY HOUSING UNDER AN EXISTING INTERGOVERNMENTAL SERVICE AGREEMENT IF THOSE INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN CONVICTED OF A CRIME OF VIOLENCE AS DEFINED IN MARYLAND CRIMINAL LAW CODE ANNOTATED SECTION 14-101.

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95 (F) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO AUDITS OR OTHER ACTIONS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE TERMS OR
96 PURPOSE OF AN EXISTING INTERGOVERNMENTAL SERVICE AGREEMENT.”
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Amendment 1 to Amendment 8 to Council Bill No. 63-2020

BY: Liz Walsh

Legislative Day No. 17

Date: December 7, 2020

Amendment No. 1

(This Amendment generally adds to the Bill the provisions of Amendment 8 as originally introduced that are not otherwise contained in Amendments 1 through 7 and removes from Amendment 8 those provisions that are already added by Amendments 1 through 7.)

Beginning on page 1 line 1, strike down through and including page 3 line 61 and substitute:

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ADOPTED December 7, 2020

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Deborah Jones

27 FOR THE PURPOSES OF TEMPORARY HOUSING UNDER AN EXISTING INTERGOVERNMENTAL SERVICE
28 AGREEMENT IF THOSE INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN CONVICTED OF A CRIME OF VIOLENCE AS DEFINED IN
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37 PURPOSE OF AN EXISTING INTERGOVERNMENTAL SERVICE AGREEMENT.”
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Introduced November 2, 2020
Public Hearing November 16, 2020
Council Action _____
Executive Action _____
Effective Date _____

County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2020 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 15

Bill No. 63 -2020

Introduced by: Opel Jones

AN ACT providing that County employees shall take, or refrain from taking, specified actions with respect to the immigration status of specified individuals; prohibiting certain discrimination based on immigration status; requiring that certain information related to citizenship status be kept confidential; providing a procedure whenever specified provisions may be preempted by other law; requiring specified officials to take actions under certain circumstances; and generally relating to human rights in Howard County.

Introduced and read first time November 2, 2020. Ordered posted and hearing scheduled.

By order

Diane Schwartz Jones
Diane Schwartz Jones, Administrator

Having been posted and notice of time & place of hearing & title of Bill having been published according to Charter, the Bill was read for a second time at a public hearing on November 16, 2020.

By order

Diane Schwartz Jones
Diane Schwartz Jones, Administrator

This Bill was read the third time on _____, 2020 and Passed _____, Passed with amendments _____, Failed _____.

By order

Diane Schwartz Jones, Administrator

Sealed with the County Seal and presented to the County Executive for approval this ____ day of _____, 2020 at ____ a.m./p.m.

By order

Diane Schwartz Jones, Administrator

Approved by the County Executive _____, 2020

Calvin Ball, County Executive

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing law; TEXT IN SMALL CAPITALS indicates additions to existing law; Strike-out indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment

1 **WHEREAS**, Howard County is comprised of immigrants from throughout the world who contribute to
2 our community's social vitality, cultural richness, and economic strength; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Howard County has a strong tradition of leadership on issues of human rights, respecting
4 the rights of and providing equal services to all individuals, regardless of race, ethnicity, or
5 immigration status; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the Howard County Council wishes to ensure that all residents of Howard County,
7 regardless of nationality or citizenship, shall have fair and equal access to County benefits,
8 opportunities, and services;

9 **Section 1. Be It Enacted** by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland, that the Howard County
10 Code is amended as follows:

11 *By adding:*

12 *Title 12 - Health and social services*

13 *Subtitle 21 - Rights of non-U.S. citizens*

14
15 **Title 12 - Health and social services.**

16 **SUBTITLE 21 - RIGHTS OF NON-U.S. CITIZENS**

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18 **12.2100. DEFINITIONS.**

19 (A) IN THIS SUBTITLE, THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

20 (B) (1) *EMPLOYEE* MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS CONSIDERED TO BE AN EMPLOYEE UNDER
21 THE HOWARD COUNTY MERIT SYSTEM.

22 (2) *EMPLOYEE* INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO:

23 (I) AN OFFICER OF THE HOWARD COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT; AND

24 (II) AN ELECTED OR APPOINTED OFFICIAL.

25 (C) *EXISTING AGREEMENT* MEANS AN EXECUTED WRITTEN AGREEMENT IN EFFECT ON THE
26 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE ACT THAT ENACTED THIS SUBTITLE 21.

27 (D) (1) *IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT* MEANS A UNIT OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT THAT
28 ENFORCES IMMIGRATION LAWS.

1 (2) *IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT* INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, THE UNITED STATES
2 DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT.

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4 **12.2101. FEDERAL OR STATE PREEMPTION OR CONFLICTS.**

5 (A) A PROVISION OF THIS SUBTITLE SHALL NOT APPLY WHENEVER THE PROVISION CONFLICTS
6 WITH STATE OR FEDERAL LAW, INTERNATIONAL TREATY, OR AN EXISTING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
7 COUNTY AND A FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL AGENCY.

8 (B) THIS SUBTITLE DOES NOT PROHIBIT THE HOWARD COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT FROM:

9 (1) INVESTIGATING OR ARRESTING VIOLATORS OF THE CRIMINAL LAW; OR

10 (2) ASSISTING A FEDERAL AGENCY WITH INVESTIGATIONS OR ARRESTS RELATING TO
11 CRIMINAL ACTIVITY, OR SUSPECTED CRIMINAL ACTIVITY, OTHER THAN VIOLATIONS OF THE IMMIGRATION
12 AND NATIONALITY LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES.

13 (3) PARTICIPATING IN TASK FORCES WITH OTHER JURISDICTIONS TO INVESTIGATE,
14 ENFORCE, AND PROSECUTE CRIMINAL ACTIVITY, EVEN IF THE TASK FORCE INCLUDES IMMIGRATION
15 ENFORCEMENT.

16 (C) THIS SUBTITLE DOES NOT PROHIBIT DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION REGARDING CITIZENSHIP
17 OR IMMIGRATION STATUS IF THE DISCLOSURE IS:

18 (1) REQUIRED BY COUNTY, STATE, OR FEDERAL LAW, INTERNATIONAL TREATY, OR
19 BY AN EXISTING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND A FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL AGENCY;

20 (2) REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 23-1405 OF THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARTICLE
21 OF THE MARYLAND CODE;

22 (2) AUTHORIZED IN WRITING BY THE SUBJECT OF THE INFORMATION; OR

23 (3) MADE TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE IN CONNECTION WITH AN
24 APPLICATION FOR A UNITED STATES PASSPORT.

1 **12.2102. NO ENFORCEMENT OF IMMIGRATION LAWS.**

2 (A) IN THE PERFORMANCE OF OFFICIAL DUTIES, AN EMPLOYEE SHALL NOT ENGAGE IN THE
3 ENFORCEMENT OF THE IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES AND SHALL NOT
4 ASSIST IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT IN THE INVESTIGATION OR ARREST OF A PERSON FOR A CIVIL OR
5 CRIMINAL VIOLATION OF THE IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES, EXCEPT AS
6 REQUIRED BY STATE OR FEDERAL LAW, INTERNATIONAL TREATY, OR AN EXISTING AGREEMENT BETWEEN
7 THE COUNTY AND A FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL AGENCY.

8 (B) IN THE PERFORMANCE OF OFFICIAL DUTIES, AN EMPLOYEE SHALL NOT ASSIST
9 IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT IN THE COLLECTION OR DISTRIBUTION OF INFORMATION ABOUT ANY
10 PERSON, EXCEPT AS REQUIRED BY STATE OR FEDERAL LAW, INTERNATIONAL TREATY, OR AN EXISTING
11 AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND A FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL AGENCY.

12 **12.2103. NO INQUIRIES INTO CITIZENSHIP.**

13 (A) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, IN THE PERFORMANCE OF
14 OFFICIAL DUTIES, AN EMPLOYEE SHALL NOT ASK ANY PERSON ABOUT:

15 (1) HIS OR HER CITIZENSHIP, NATIONALITY, OR IMMIGRATION STATUS; OR

16 (2) THE CITIZENSHIP OR IMMIGRATION STATUS OF ANOTHER PERSON.

17 (B) THIS SECTION DOES NOT PROHIBIT

18 (1) THE COLLECTION OF INFORMATION REGARDING CITIZENSHIP STATUS IN CONNECTION
19 WITH THE REGISTRATION OR ATTEMPTED REGISTRATION TO VOTE IN COUNTY ELECTIONS;

20 (2) INQUIRIES REGARDING THE CITIZENSHIP OF APPLICANTS FOR POSITIONS AS SWORN
21 OFFICERS WITH THE HOWARD COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT OR THE HOWARD COUNTY
22 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS;

23 (3) THE COLLECTION OF INFORMATION IN CONNECTION WITH APPLICATIONS FOR UNITED
24 STATES PASSPORTS;

1 (4) INQUIRIES REGARDING THE CITIZENSHIP OR IMMIGRATION STATUS OF EMPLOYEES
2 AND APPLICANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT WITH THE COUNTY AS REQUIRED BY TITLE 8, CHAPTER 12,
3 SUBCHAPTER II, PART VIII, OF THE UNITED STATES CODE; OR

4 (5) INQUIRIES REGARDING CITIZENSHIP OR IMMIGRATION STATUS REQUIRED BY STATE
5 OR FEDERAL LAW, INCLUDING 8 U.S. CODE § 1373, INTERNATIONAL TREATY, OR AN EXISTING
6 AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND A FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL AGENCY.

7 **12.2104. DISCRIMINATION BASED ON CITIZENSHIP PROHIBITED.**

8 IN THE PERFORMANCE OF OFFICIAL DUTIES, AN EMPLOYEE SHALL NOT DISCRIMINATE AGAINST
9 ANY PERSON ON THE BASIS OF CITIZENSHIP, NATIONALITY, OR IMMIGRATION STATUS.

10 **12.2105. CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION ABOUT CITIZENSHIP STATUS.**

11 AN EMPLOYEE SHALL NOT DISCLOSE ANY INFORMATION REGARDING THE CITIZENSHIP,
12 NATIONALITY, OR IMMIGRATION STATUS OF AN INDIVIDUAL TO A THIRD PARTY EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN
13 SECTION 12.2101(C) OF THIS SECTION.

14 **12.2106. CHANGES IN PRACTICES.**

15 (A) WHENEVER THE COUNTY SOLICITOR LEARNS OF A STATE OR FEDERAL LAW OR
16 INTERNATIONAL TREATY THAT MAY PREEMPT THIS SUBTITLE, THE COUNTY SOLICITOR SHALL ADVISE
17 THE COUNTY COUNCIL AND THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE:

18 (1) ABOUT THE LAW OR TREATY; AND

19 (2) WHETHER THE COUNTY SHOULD CHANGE ANY PRACTICES UNDER OR PROVISIONS OF
20 THIS SUBTITLE.

21 (B) THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE SHALL NOTIFY THE PUBLIC OF ANY CHANGES IN PRACTICES
22 MADE AS A RESULT OF THIS SECTION.

23 *Section 2. And Be It Further Enacted by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland, that this Act*
24 *shall become effective 61 days after its enactment.*
25

Amendment 4 to Council Bill No. 63-2020

BY: Opel Jones,
Christiana Rigby, and Liz Walsh

Legislative Day No. 17

Date: December 7, 2020

Amendment No. 4

(This Amendment generally prohibits the disclosure of information about any person to immigration enforcement; or the expenditure of County resources (including but not limited to facilities, equipment, cell phones, office supplies, radios, emails, databases and employee time) to assist or facilitate civil immigration enforcement.)

1 On the title page, in the purpose paragraph, in the first line after “employees” insert “,
2 departments and agents” and in the fifth line after the second semicolon insert “governing the
3 expenditure of certain County resources;”.

4 On page 4:

- 5 • In lines 2 and 8, strike “IN THE PERFORMANCE OF OFFICIAL DUTIES” and substitute “WHEN
6 ACTING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF EMPLOYMENT” in both cases.
- 7 • In lines 2 and 8, after “EMPLOYEE” insert “, DEPARTMENT, OR AGENT” in both cases.
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12 MANNER IN WHICH EACH REQUEST WAS HANDLED, AS WELL AS WHETHER ANY COUNTY

13 EMPLOYEE, AGENT, OFFICER OR OFFICIAL VIOLATED ANY SECTION OF THIS SUBTITLE; AND

14 (4) RESPOND TO ANY REQUEST FOR INFORMATION FOR MATTERS COVERED UNDER THIS

15 SUBTITLE BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME.

16 **(B) POLICIES DEVELOPED BY DEPARTMENTS MUST DELINEATE EMPLOYMENT CONSEQUENCES FOR**

17 FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH DEVELOPED POLICIES.”
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Amendment 8 to Council Bill No. 63-2020

BY: Liz Walsh

Legislative Day No. 17

Date: December 7, 2020

Amendment No. 8

(This Amendment codifies existing, written, Executive policy.)

On page 3:

- strike lines 18 and 19 in their entirety;
- in line 20, strike “(2)” and substitute “(1)”;
- after line 24, insert

“(4) NO PROVISION IN THIS SUBTITLE SHALL BE INTERPRETED AS PREVENTING A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENT FROM SENDING TO OR RECEIVING FROM ANY LOCAL, STATE, OR FEDERAL AGENCY INFORMATION REGARDING THE CITIZENSHIP OR IMMIGRATION STATUS OF AN INDIVIDUAL IF REQUIRED UNDER SECTIONS 1373 AND 1644 OF TITLE 8 OF THE UNITED STATES CODE, STATE LAW OR REGULATION, COURT ORDER, EXTRADITION AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER AGREEMENT THAT ALLOWS A COUNTY AGENCY TO ACCEPT CUSTODY OF AN INDIVIDUAL PURSUANT TO A CRIMINAL WARRANT.

On page 4, strike lines 1 through 11 in their entirety and substitute:

“12.2102. CIVIL IMMIGRATION.

(A) (1) NO COUNTY EMPLOYEE, AGENT OR AGENCY MAY COORDINATE WITH AN IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL IN FURTHERANCE OF A CIVIL IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT OPERATION, INCLUDING BY:

(I) PERMITTING IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS ACCESS TO NON-PUBLIC SPACE WITHIN A GOVERNMENT FACILITY OR ANY AREA WHERE COUNTY BUSINESS IS BEING CONDUCTED;

(II) PERMITTING IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS ACCESS TO A PERSON BEING DETAINED BY, OR IN THE CUSTODY OF, THE AGENT OR AGENCY;

(III) PERMITTING IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS USE OF AGENCY FACILITIES, INFORMATION, OR EQUIPMENT FOR INVESTIGATIVE INTERVIEWS OR OTHER INVESTIGATIVE

PURPOSES:

(IV) DETAINING A PERSON WHEN ELIGIBLE FOR RELEASE;

(V) EXPENDING COUNTY RESOURCES (INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO FACILITIES, EQUIPMENT, CELL PHONES, OFFICE SUPPLIES, RADIOS, EMAILS, DATABASES AND EMPLOYEE TIME WHILE ON-DUTY) TO ASSIST OR FACILITATE ICE CIVIL ENFORCEMENT, INCLUDING BY DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY PROVIDING ACCESS TO IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS OF CONFIDENTIAL PERSONAL INFORMATION, UNLESS THE EMPLOYEE'S ACTION IS EXPRESSLY AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE;
OR

(VI) NOTIFYING IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS THAT AN INDIVIDUAL HAS BEEN OR IS READY TO BE RELEASED FROM CUSTODY, UNLESS THE INDIVIDUAL HAS BEEN CONVICTED OF A CRIME OF VIOLENCE AS DEFINED IN MARYLAND CRIMINAL LAW CODE ANNOTATED SECTION 14-101.

(2) ANY INTENTIONAL VIOLATION OF A PROVISION OF THIS SUBTITLE BY A COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY AGENT, OFFICER, EMPLOYEE OR OFFICIAL SHALL BE REFERRED TO THE INDIVIDUAL'S APPOINTING AUTHORITY FOR APPROPRIATE DISCIPLINE.

(B) HOWARD COUNTY WILL ONLY ACCEPT DETAINEES FROM IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT FOR THE PURPOSES OF TEMPORARY HOUSING UNDER THE COUNTY INTER-GOVERNMENTAL SERVICES AGREEMENT IF THOSE INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN CONVICTED OF A CRIME OF VIOLENCE AS DEFINED IN MARYLAND CRIMINAL LAW CODE ANNOTATED SECTION 14-101.

(C) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OF THE PROVISIONS SET OUT IN SUBSECTION (A) ABOVE, HOWARD COUNTY MAY NOTIFY IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS OF THE IMMINENT RELEASE OF A PERSON FOR WHOM A CIVIL DETAINER REQUEST HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS ONLY IF THE PERSON HAS COMPLETED A CRIMINAL SENTENCE AFTER BEING CONVICTED OF A CRIME OF VIOLENCE AS DEFINED IN MARYLAND CRIMINAL LAW CODE ANNOTATED SECTION 14-101 AND ALLOW IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS ACCESS TO THE FACILITY AS NECESSARY TO TAKE THAT PERSON INTO CUSTODY.

(D) THE PROVISIONS SET OUT IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION DO NOT APPLY TO AUDITS OR OTHER ACTIONS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE TERMS OR PURPOSE OF THE INTER-GOVERNMENTAL SERVICES AGREEMENT."

On page 5, after line 13, insert:

"12.2106. REPORTING.

(A) AGENCIES SHALL REPORT TO THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE EVERY SIX (6) MONTHS THE NUMBER OF REQUESTS RECEIVED FROM IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS AND THE MANNER IN WHICH EACH REQUEST WAS HANDLED AND WHETHER ANY COUNTY AGENT, OFFICER, EMPLOYEE OR OFFICIAL VIOLATED ANY SECTION OF THIS SUBTITLE.

58 (B) AGENCIES SHALL RESPOND TO ANY REQUEST FOR INFORMATION FOR MATTERS COVERED UNDER THIS
59 SUBTITLE BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE WITHIN SEVEN (7) DAYS."

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61 Also on page 5, in line 14, strike "12.2106" and substitute "12.2107".
62

Amendment 1 to Council Bill No. 63-2020

BY: Opel Jones,
Christiana Rigby, and Liz Walsh

Legislative Day No. 17

Date: December 7, 2020

Amendment No. 1

(This Amendment adds definitions of “agent,” “contractor,” “department,” “County resources,” and “officer in charge” and changes the defined term “existing agreement” to be “existing intergovernmental service agreement”).

1 On the title page, in the purpose paragraph, in the first line after “employees” insert “
2 departments and agents”.

3 On page 2:

- 4 • After line 19, insert:

5 “(B) AGENT MEANS ANY PERSON EMPLOYED BY OR ACTING ON BEHALF OF A DEPARTMENT,
6 INCLUDING CONTRACTORS OR OTHER INDIVIDUALS, ORGANIZATIONS, BUSINESSES OR OTHER
7 ENTITIES NOT CONSIDERED EMPLOYEES AS DEFINED IN THIS SECTION.”

- 8 • In line 20, strike “(B)” and substitute “(C)”

- 9 • after line 24, insert

10 “(D) CONTRACTOR IS A CONTRACTOR HIRED BY HOWARD COUNTY.

11 (E) DEPARTMENT MEANS ANY COUNTY DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, DIVISION, COMMISSION, COUNCIL,
12 COMMITTEE, BOARD, OTHER BODY OR PERSON ESTABLISHED BY CHARTER, ORDINANCE,
13 EXECUTIVE ORDER, OR COUNTY COUNCIL ACTION.”

- 14 • In line 25, strike “(C)” and substitute “(F)”, and after “EXISTING” insert “INTERGOVERNMENTAL
15 SERVICE”, and after “WRITTEN AGREEMENT” insert “BETWEEN HOWARD COUNTY AND
16 IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT”

- 17 • In line 27, strike “(D)” and substitute “(G)”

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19 On page 3:

- 20 • After line 2, insert:

21 “(H) COUNTY RESOURCES INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, ANY COUNTY MONIES, FACILITIES,
22 PROPERTY, EQUIPMENT, PERSONNEL, OR OTHER ASSETS FUNDED AS A WHOLE OR IN PART BY
23 HOWARD COUNTY.”

24 (1) OFFICER IN CHARGE MEANS THE OFFICER IN CHARGE OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS
25 ASSIGNED TO THE TASK FORCE, THE CHIEF OF POLICE, OR COUNTY SHERIFF.”
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Amendment 2 to Council Bill No. 63-2020

BY: Opel Jones,
Christiana Rigby, and Liz Walsh

Legislative Day No. 17

Date: December 7, 2020

Amendment No. 2

(This Amendment provides that County resources may not be used for civil immigration enforcement; generally prohibits County participants in task forces from asking about or disclosing citizenship, immigration, or nationality status; and provides that the County must withdraw from a task force that is not primarily acting to investigate or enforce criminal law, but instead as a pretext for immigration enforcement.)

1 On the title page, in the purpose paragraph, in the fifth line after the second semicolon, insert
2 “specifying which actions may and may not be taken by certain County departments, officers,
3 and officials during participation on certain task forces;”

4 On page 3:

- 5 • In line 4, strike “OR CONFLICTS”.
- 6 • Beginning in line 5, strike “CONFLICTS WITH” and substitute “IS PREEMPTED BY”.
- 7 • In line 6, after “EXISTING” insert “INTERGOVERNMENTAL SERVICE” and strike “THE”
- 8 • Strike line 7 and substitute “HOWARD COUNTY AND IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS
9 ENFORCEMENT.”
- 10 • In line 9, before “CRIMINAL” insert “STATE OR LOCAL”
- 11 • In line 15, before the period, insert “, PROVIDED THAT COUNTY RESOURCES ARE NOT USED FOR
12 THE PURPOSE OF CIVIL IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT”
- 13 • After line 15, insert:

14 “(I) WHEN PARTICIPATING IN A TASK FORCE UNDER THIS PROVISION, THE COUNTY POLICE
15 DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT DISCLOSE ANY INFORMATION REGARDING THE CITIZENSHIP,
16 NATIONALITY, OR IMMIGRATION STATUS OF AN INDIVIDUAL TO ANOTHER LOCAL, STATE, OR
17 FEDERAL AGENCY.

18 “(II) WHEN PARTICIPATING IN A TASK FORCE UNDER THIS PROVISION, SECTION 12.2103
19 SHALL BE ENFORCED SO AS TO REQUIRE THAT THE COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS AND
20 OFFICIALS, EXCEPT AS AUTHORIZED IN 12.2103(B), SHALL NOT ASK ANY PERSON ABOUT HIS OR

21 HER CITIZENSHIP, NATIONALITY, OR IMMIGRATION STATUS, NOR ASK ANY PERSON ABOUT THE
22 CITIZENSHIP, NATIONALITY, OR IMMIGRATION STATUS OF ANOTHER PERSON.

23 (III) WHEN PARTICIPATING IN A TASK FORCE UNDER THIS PROVISION, IF AT ANY TIME AN
24 OFFICER IN CHARGE OF THE COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT REASONABLY BELIEVES THAT THE
25 TASK FORCE IS NOT PRIMARILY ACTING TO INVESTIGATE OR ENFORCE CRIMINAL LAW, BUT
26 INSTEAD AS A PRETEXT FOR IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT, THE COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT
27 SHALL IMMEDIATELY CEASE ASSISTANCE AND WITHDRAW FROM THE TASK FORCE.”

- 28 • Strike line 19 and substitute “AN EXISTING INTERGOVERNMENTAL SERVICE AGREEMENT
29 BETWEEN HOWARD COUNTY AND IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT;”

Amendment 3 to Council Bill No. 63-2020

BY: David Yungmann

Legislative Day No. 17

Date: December 7, 2020

Amendment No. 3

(This Amendment allows the County to accept certain individuals under specified circumstances.)

On page 4:

- in line 1, after “LAWS” insert “; DETAINERS”.
- after line 11, insert:

“(C) A UNIT OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT MAY ACCEPT AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS SUBJECT TO
A DETAINER ISSUED BY IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT IF THE INDIVIDUAL:

(1) HAS BEEN CONVICTED OF A CRIME; OR

(2) IS ON THE CONSOLIDATED TERRORIST WATCH LIST OF THE UNITES STATES
TERRORIST SCREENING CENTER.”

Amendment 4 to Council Bill No. 63-2020

BY: Opel Jones,
Christiana Rigby, and Liz Walsh

Legislative Day No. 17

Date: December 7, 2020

Amendment No. 4

(This Amendment generally prohibits the disclosure of information about any person to immigration enforcement; or the expenditure of County resources (including but not limited to facilities, equipment, cell phones, office supplies, radios, emails, databases and employee time) to assist or facilitate civil immigration enforcement.)

1 On the title page, in the purpose paragraph, in the first line after “employees” insert “,
2 departments and agents” and in the fifth line after the second semicolon insert “governing the
3 expenditure of certain County resources;”.

4 On page 4:

- 5 • In lines 2 and 8, strike “IN THE PERFORMANCE OF OFFICIAL DUTIES” and substitute “WHEN
6 ACTING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF EMPLOYMENT” in both cases.
- 7 • In lines 2 and 8, after “EMPLOYEE” insert “, DEPARTMENT, OR AGENT” in both cases.
- 8 • After line 11, insert:
9 “(3) DISCLOSE INFORMATION ABOUT ANY PERSON TO IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT; OR
10 (4) EXPEND COUNTY RESOURCES TO ASSIST OR FACILITATE CIVIL IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT,
11 UNLESS THE EMPLOYEE ACTION IS EXPRESSLY AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.”

Amendment 1 Amendment 4 to Council Bill No. 63-2020

**BY: Opel Jones,
Christiana Rigby, and Liz Walsh**

Legislative Day No. 17

Date: December 7, 2020

Amendment No. 1

(This Amendment makes technical corrections.)

- 1 On page 1, in line 8, after “(B)” insert “(1)”.
- 2 On page 1, in line 9, before “(3)” insert “(2) THE PROHIBITIONS IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS
- 3 SUBSECTION INCLUDE PROHIBITING:”.
- 4 On page 1, in line 9, strike “(3) DISCLOSE” and substitute “(I) THE DISCLOSURE OF”.
- 5 On page 1, in line 10, strike “(4) EXPEND” and substitute “(ii) THE EXPENDITURE OF”.
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Amendment 5 to Council Bill No. 63-2020

BY: Christiana Rigby and Liz Walsh

Legislative Day No. 17

Date: December 7, 2020

Amendment No. 5

(This Amendment expands the prohibitions related to citizenship, nationality, or immigration to also cover departments and agents of the County; and prohibits the gathering of citizenship or immigration status or expenditure of County resources for that purpose.)

On the title page, in the purpose paragraph, in the first line after “employees” insert “, departments and agents”; in the third line after “citizenship” insert “, nationality or immigration”.

On page 4:

- In line 12, strike “NO INQUIRIES INTO CITIZENSHIP” and substitute “PROHIBITION ON INQUIRIES RELATED TO CITIZENSHIP, NATIONALITY OR IMMIGRATION STATUS”
- Beginning in line 13, strike “IN THE PERFORMANCE OF OFFICIAL DUTIES,” and substitute “WHEN ACTING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF EMPLOYMENT”
- In line 14, after “EMPLOYEE” insert “, DEPARTMENT, OR AGENT OF HOWARD COUNTY”

On page 5:

- Strike lines 4 to 6 in their entirety and substitute:
“(5) RESPONDING TO INQUIRIES REGARDING CITIZENSHIP OR IMMIGRATION STATUS IN COMPLIANCE WITH STATE OR FEDERAL LAW, INCLUDING 8 U.S. CODE § 1373 OR INTERNATIONAL TREATY, PROVIDED THAT RESPONDING TO SUCH INQUIRIES DOES NOT INCLUDE THE GATHERING OF THE CITIZENSHIP OR IMMIGRATION STATUS OF ANY INDIVIDUAL OR OTHER EXPENDITURE OF COUNTY RESOURCES PROHIBITED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.”
- In line 7, after “CITIZENSHIP” insert “, NATIONALITY OR IMMIGRATION STATUS”.
- In line 8, strike “IN THE PERFORMANCE OF OFFICIAL DUTIES” and substitute “WHEN ACTING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF EMPLOYMENT”
- ” and after “EMPLOYEE” insert “, DEPARTMENT OR AGENT OF HOWARD COUNTY”
- In line 11, strike “AN EMPLOYEE” and substitute “EMPLOYEES, DEPARTMENTS, AND AGENTS OF HOWARD COUNTY”

Amendment 6 to Council Bill No. 63-2020

BY: Opel Jones and
Christiana Rigby

Legislative Day No. 17

Date: December 7, 2020

Amendment No. 6

(This Amendment provides for a penalty for an employee who violates this Act and provides that complaints shall be filed with the Human Rights Commission.)

On page 5, after line 13, insert:

"12.2106 PENALTY.

AN EMPLOYEE WHO VIOLATES THIS SUBTITLE SHALL BE SANCTIONED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE PERSONNEL SYSTEM AND APPLICABLE LAW.

12.2107 ENFORCEMENT.

(A) COMPLAINTS OF NONCOMPLIANCE WITH THIS SUBTITLE SHALL BE FILED WITH THE OFFICE OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF COUNTY ADMINISTRATION.

(B) THE OFFICE OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF COUNTY ADMINISTRATION SHALL REVIEW THE COMPLIANCE OF THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, AGENCIES, COMMISSIONS AND EMPLOYEES WITH THE MANDATES OF THIS SUBTITLE WHEN THERE IS QUESTION OF NONCOMPLIANCE OR WHEN A COMPLAINT ALLEGING NONCOMPLIANCE HAS BEEN LODGED."

Also on 5, in line 14, strike "**12.2106**" and substitute "**12.2108**".

Amendment 1 to Amendment 7 to Council Bill No. 63-2020

**BY: Christiana Rigby,
Opel Jones, and Liz Walsh**

Legislative Day No. 17

Date: December 7, 2020

Amendment No. 1

(This Amendment requires Departments to respond to certain requests within 15 days.)

1 On page 1, in line 15, after "A REASONABLE TIME" insert "NOT TO EXCEED 15 DAYS".

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Amendment 7 to Council Bill No. 63-2020

BY: Opel Jones,
Christiana Rigby, and Liz Walsh

Legislative Day No. 17

Date: December 7, 2020

Amendment No. 7

(This Amendment requires County departments to adopt policies relating to immigration, nationality, and citizenship status as it relates to County activities and relations; requiring that departmental policies delineate employment consequences for failure to comply; requiring departments to issue periodic reports on requests from immigration enforcement officials; and requiring departments to respond within a reasonable time to inquiries from the Executive.)

1 On the title page, in the purpose paragraph, in the fifth line after the second semicolon insert
2 “requiring County departments to adopt specified policies and make specified reports;”
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4 On page 5, after line 22, insert:

5 “12.2107. DIRECTIVES TO DEPARTMENTS.

6 (A) ALL DEPARTMENTS SHALL:

7 (1) DEVELOP POLICIES CONSISTENT WITH IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS ACT WITHIN 90

8 DAYS;

9 (2) MAKE POLICIES DEVELOPED BY DEPARTMENTS PUBLICLY AVAILABLE;

10 (3) REPORT TO THE COUNTY COUNCIL AND COUNTY EXECUTIVE EVERY SIX (6) MONTHS

11 THE NUMBER OF REQUESTS RECEIVED FROM IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS AND THE

12 MANNER IN WHICH EACH REQUEST WAS HANDLED, AS WELL AS WHETHER ANY COUNTY

13 EMPLOYEE, AGENT, OFFICER OR OFFICIAL VIOLATED ANY SECTION OF THIS SUBTITLE; AND

14 (4) RESPOND TO ANY REQUEST FOR INFORMATION FOR MATTERS COVERED UNDER THIS

15 SUBTITLE BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME.

16 (B) POLICIES DEVELOPED BY DEPARTMENTS MUST DELINEATE EMPLOYMENT CONSEQUENCES FOR

17 FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH DEVELOPED POLICIES.”
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Amendment 1 to Amendment 8 to Council Bill No. 63-2020

BY: Liz Walsh

Legislative Day No. 17

Date: December 7, 2020

Amendment No. 1

(This Amendment generally adds to the Bill the provisions of Amendment 8 as originally introduced that are not otherwise contained in Amendments 1 through 7 and removes from Amendment 8 those provisions that are already added by Amendments 1 through 7.)

1 Beginning on page 1 line 1, strike down through and including page 3 line 61 and substitute:

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3 "On page 4, in line 2, after "(A)" insert "(1)".

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5 On page 4, in line 4, after "ASSIST" insert "OR COORDINATE WITH".

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7 On page 4, after line 7, insert:

8 "(2) THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SUBSECTION INCLUDE A PROHIBITION AGAINST:

9 (I) PERMITTING IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS ACCESS TO NON-PUBLIC SPACE WITHIN A
10 GOVERNMENT FACILITY OR ANY AREA WHERE COUNTY BUSINESS IS BEING CONDUCTED;

11 (II) PERMITTING IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS ACCESS TO A PERSON BEING DETAINED BY,
12 OR IN THE CUSTODY OF, THE AGENT OR AGENCY;

13 (III) PERMITTING IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS USE OF AGENCY FACILITIES,
14 INFORMATION, OR EQUIPMENT FOR INVESTIGATIVE INTERVIEWS OR OTHER INVESTIGATIVE PURPOSES;

15 (IV) DETAINING A PERSON WHEN ELIGIBLE FOR RELEASE; OR

16 (V) NOTIFYING IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS THAT AN INDIVIDUAL HAS BEEN OR IS
17 READY TO BE RELEASED FROM CUSTODY, UNLESS THE INDIVIDUAL HAS BEEN CONVICTED OF A CRIME OF
18 VIOLENCE AS DEFINED IN MARYLAND CRIMINAL LAW CODE ANNOTATED SECTION 14-101."

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20 On page 4, at the end of new (c)(4), which was added by Amendment 4 to Council Bill 63, before the period, insert:

21 “, INCLUDING BY DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY PROVIDING ACCESS TO IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS
22 OF CONFIDENTIAL PERSONAL INFORMATION, UNLESS THE EMPLOYEE’S ACTION IS EXPRESSLY AUTHORIZED UNDER
23 THIS SUBTITLE”

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25 On page 4, after line 11, insert:

26 "(D) HOWARD COUNTY WILL ONLY ACCEPT DETAINEES FROM IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT

27 FOR THE PURPOSES OF TEMPORARY HOUSING UNDER AN EXISTING INTERGOVERNMENTAL SERVICE
28 AGREEMENT IF THOSE INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN CONVICTED OF A CRIME OF VIOLENCE AS DEFINED IN
29 MARYLAND CRIMINAL LAW CODE ANNOTATED SECTION 14-101.

30 (E) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OF THE PROVISIONS SET OUT IN THIS SECTION, HOWARD COUNTY MAY NOTIFY
31 IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS OF THE IMMINENT RELEASE OF A PERSON FOR WHOM A CIVIL DETAINER REQUEST
32 HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS ONLY IF THE PERSON HAS COMPLETED A CRIMINAL
33 SENTENCE AFTER BEING CONVICTED OF A CRIME OF VIOLENCE AS DEFINED IN MARYLAND CRIMINAL LAW
34 CODE ANNOTATED SECTION 14-101 AND ALLOW IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS ACCESS TO THE FACILITY AS
35 NECESSARY TO TAKE THAT PERSON INTO CUSTODY.

36 (F) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO AUDITS OR OTHER ACTIONS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE TERMS OR
37 PURPOSE OF AN EXISTING INTERGOVERNMENTAL SERVICE AGREEMENT.”
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Amendment 8 to Council Bill No. 63-2020

BY: Liz Walsh

Legislative Day No. 17

Date: December 7, 2020

Amendment No. 8

(This Amendment codifies existing, written, Executive policy.)

On page 3:

- strike lines 18 and 19 in their entirety;
- in line 20, strike “(2)” and substitute “(1)”;
- after line 24, insert

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OR

(VI) NOTIFYING IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS THAT AN INDIVIDUAL HAS BEEN OR IS READY TO BE RELEASED FROM CUSTODY, UNLESS THE INDIVIDUAL HAS BEEN CONVICTED OF A CRIME OF VIOLENCE AS DEFINED IN MARYLAND CRIMINAL LAW CODE ANNOTATED SECTION 14-101.

(2) ANY INTENTIONAL VIOLATION OF A PROVISION OF THIS SUBTITLE BY A COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY AGENT, OFFICER, EMPLOYEE OR OFFICIAL SHALL BE REFERRED TO THE INDIVIDUAL'S APPOINTING AUTHORITY FOR APPROPRIATE DISCIPLINE.

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(C) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OF THE PROVISIONS SET OUT IN SUBSECTION (A) ABOVE, HOWARD COUNTY MAY NOTIFY IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS OF THE IMMINENT RELEASE OF A PERSON FOR WHOM A CIVIL DETAINER REQUEST HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS ONLY IF THE PERSON HAS COMPLETED A CRIMINAL SENTENCE AFTER BEING CONVICTED OF A CRIME OF VIOLENCE AS DEFINED IN MARYLAND CRIMINAL LAW CODE ANNOTATED SECTION 14-101 AND ALLOW IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS ACCESS TO THE FACILITY AS NECESSARY TO TAKE THAT PERSON INTO CUSTODY.

(D) THE PROVISIONS SET OUT IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION DO NOT APPLY TO AUDITS OR OTHER ACTIONS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE TERMS OR PURPOSE OF THE INTER-GOVERNMENTAL SERVICES AGREEMENT."

On page 5, after line 13, insert:

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61 Also on page 5, in line 14, strike “**12.2106**” and substitute “**12.2107**”.

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Office of the County Auditor
Analysis of Draft Legislation

Council Bill No. 63-2020

Introduced: November 2, 2020

Auditor: Edward Shulder

Fiscal Impact:

The fiscal impact of this legislation cannot be determined at this time. However, there is a risk that the County could lose Federal grant funds as a result of this legislation.

Certain Federal grant programs specifically require cooperation on Federal immigration status inquiries as a condition of receiving the grant. These grants include the State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP) received by the Department of Corrections and the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) received by the Police Department.

For Fiscal Year 2021, the County budget included \$90,000 from SCAAP and \$136,000 from the Edward Byrne Memorial JAG.

Purpose:

This bill amends the Howard County Code, Title 12 – Health and Social Services, by adding Subtitle 21- Rights of Non-U.S. Citizens. The proposed legislation would prohibit discrimination based upon citizenship status. Subtitle 21 of Title 12 would:

- Provide for no County enforcement of Federal immigration laws or inquiries into citizenship status;
- Prohibit discrimination based upon citizenship status;
- Protect confidentiality of citizenship status; and
- Limit agents, officers, or employees of the County from assisting departments within the Federal government in any aspect of investigation or enforcement of immigration laws except under certain specified instances.

Other Comments:

The Departments of Corrections has indicated that loss of the SCAAP grant would have minimal impact. However, the Police Department advised that any loss of JAG funds could impact the specific services funded by the grant. The Edward Byrne Memorial JAG is used to fund heroin and opioid addiction treatment and investigations.

According to the Department of Community Resources and Services, the Health Department, and the Department of Recreation and Parks, adoption of this bill would have minimal or no impact on services provided or costs to the County. In addition, these departments do not consider citizenship, nationality, or immigration status when providing services.

Other Maryland jurisdictions that have adopted similar positions regarding cooperation with Federal immigration authorities have seen varied impacts on Federal funding. One stated that they no longer receive the Federal SCAAP or JAG funds. One other jurisdiction advised us that Federal grants had decreased but could not identify the cause. The remaining jurisdiction just recently adopted the related legislation and noted no impact to date.

Office of the County Auditor
Auditor's Analysis

Amendment No. 1
Council Bill No. 63-2020

Amendment Proposed by: Opel Jones, Christiana Rigby, and Liz Walsh

Introduced: November 2, 2020

Auditor: Edward Shulder

Fiscal Impact:

We do not anticipate any fiscal impact as a result of this amendment.

Purpose:

This amendment proposes additions to the Definitions section (12.2100) of Council Bill 63-2020 to include definitions for the following words: “agent,” “contractor,” “department,” “County resources,” and “officer in charge.” It would also change the term “existing agreement” to “existing intergovernmental service agreement” in the Definitions section and specify the parties to the agreement as Howard County and Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

Other Comments:

None.

Office of the County Auditor
Auditor's Analysis

Amendment No. 2
Council Bill No. 63-2020

Amendment Proposed by: Opel Jones, Christiana Rigby, and Liz Walsh
Introduced: November 2, 2020
Auditor: Edward Shulder

Fiscal Impact:

We do not anticipate any fiscal impact as a result of this amendment.

The amendment's prohibition against using County resources is a codification of existing practice and should not bear a new fiscal impact to the County.

Purpose:

This amendment to Council Bill 63-2020 proposes to change the term "existing agreement" to "existing intergovernmental service agreement" and specify the parties to the agreement as Howard County and Immigration and Customs Enforcement on page 3, lines 6-7, and page 3, line 19, of the legislation.

This amendment also introduces language regarding the responsibilities of task force participants and specifies that County resources may not be used for civil immigration enforcement purposes.

Other Comments:

There are four references to the term "existing agreement" in the legislation. The proposed amendment modifies two of those references, leaving the references on page 4, line 6, and page 4, lines 10-11, unchanged. These unchanged references are being stricken in proposed Amendment 8. If that amendment is not amended and/or does not pass, two references to "existing agreement" will remain unchanged.

Office of the County Auditor
Auditor's Analysis

Amendment No. 3
Council Bill No. 63-2020

Amendment Proposed by: David Yungmann

Introduced: November 2, 2020

Auditor: Edward Shulder

Fiscal Impact:

This amendment may increase County revenues and expenditures by increasing the types of detainees who may be held by the Department of Corrections under its contract with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).

Purpose:

This amendment proposes additions to page 4 of Council Bill 63-2020, to include a description of circumstances under which a person may be accepted for detainment. (Specifically, that an individual must be convicted of a crime or be on the terrorist watch list.)

Other Comments:

Current Department of Corrections policy specifies that the Department can only hold ICE detainees who have been convicted of a crime of violence under Maryland law.

Office of the County Auditor
Auditor's Analysis

Amendment No. 4
Council Bill No. 63-2020

Amendment Proposed by: Opel Jones, Christiana Rigby, and Liz Walsh

Introduced: November 2, 2020

Auditor: Edward Shulder

Fiscal Impact:

We do not foresee that this amendment to Council Bill 63-2020 will impact County expenditures or revenues.

Purpose:

The purpose of this amendment is to prohibit any County employee, department, and agent from disclosing information about any person to immigration enforcement, and to prohibit the use of County resources to assist or facilitate civil immigration enforcement.

Other Comments:

None.

Office of the County Auditor
Auditor's Analysis

Amendment No. 5
Council Bill No. 63-2020

Amendment Proposed by: Christiana Rigby and Liz Walsh

Introduced: November 2, 2020

Auditor: Edward Shulder

Fiscal Impact:

We do not anticipate that this amendment to Council Bill 63-2020 will impact County expenditures or revenues.

Purpose:

The purpose of this legislation is to expand the prohibitions of Howard County employees, departments, and agents as they relate to inquiries into citizenship, nationality, and immigration status; to prohibit the gathering of information on citizenship or immigration status; and to prohibit expenditures of County resources for that purpose.

Other Comments:

None.

Office of the County Auditor
Auditor's Analysis

Amendment No. 6
Council Bill No. 63-2020

Amendment Proposed by: Opel Jones and Christiana Rigby

Introduced: November 2, 2020

Auditor: Edward Shulder

Fiscal Impact:

This amendment will not impact County revenues or expenditures. Existing County resources should be sufficient to implement this amendment.

We contacted the Department of County Administration to determine if current staffing/resources will be able to handle the anticipated volume of complaints and are awaiting a response.

Purpose:

This amendment provides enforcement and penalty provisions for violations of the requirements of Council Bill 63-2020. Investigation of complaints regarding noncompliance will be the responsibility of the Office of Human Rights and Department of County Administration.

Other Comments:

Any penalties for violations will be in accordance with existing County law, rules, and regulations.

Office of the County Auditor
Auditor's Analysis

Amendment No. 7
Council Bill No. 63-2020

Amendment Proposed by: Opel Jones, Christiana Rigby, and Liz Walsh

Introduced: November 2, 2020

Auditor: Edward Shulder

Fiscal Impact:

We anticipate that this amendment will not impact County expenditures or revenues. We contacted the Department of County Administration whether additional staffing/resources will be needed to implement the requirements of this amendment and are awaiting the Department's response.

Purpose:

This amendment requires all County Departments to:

- Develop written policies consistent with Council Bill 63-2020, including provisions for employee consequences for failing to comply with these policies;
- Periodically report certain information to the County Executive and County Council; and
- Respond to information requests from the County Executive or County Council within one business day.

Other Comments:

None

Office of the County Auditor
Auditor's Analysis

Amendment No. 8
Council Bill No. 63-2020
Amendment Proposed by: Liz Walsh
Introduced: November 2, 2020
Auditor: Edward Shulder

Fiscal Impact:

There is no fiscal impact of this amendment. The proposed amendment codifies the current County policy and therefore would not affect County revenues or expenses.

Purpose:

This amendment:

- Codifies the existing Department of Corrections policy regarding housing of detainees under contract with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE);
- Specifies that the County may not assist with any civil immigration enforcement activity unless expressly authorized by Council Bill 63-2020; and
- Requires periodic agency reporting of certain information to the County Executive.

Other Comments:

Effective September 24, 2020, the Department of Corrections adopted a revised policy that limited detainees to only those persons convicted of crime of violence under Maryland law. Prior to this, the Department policy included four categories for which it would accept detainees.

The updated policy reduced the number of detainees held and subsequently reduced revenue received from ICE.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Department has reduced the number of detainees accepted and housed.

Sayers, Margery

From: Skalny, Cindy on behalf of Yungmann, David
Sent: Wednesday, December 9, 2020 11:12 AM
To: sue huang; CouncilMail
Subject: RE: Please support Howard Residents against Sanctuary City

Thank you for your email and opposition to Howard becoming a sanctuary county. I was the sole vote against the bill. In addition to laying out many of the arguments against these dangerous and offensive changes to county law, I sponsored an amendment that would allow the detention center to honor ICE detainers for individuals who have been convicted of a crime or are on the terror watch list. Progressive activists have been lobbying members of the County Council for the past several years and, despite a flood of emails in opposition, all four Democrats opposed my amendment and supported the sanctuary bill. Until there are more moderates and conservatives in elected positions, healthy debate and balanced policy will be unlikely, yielding to progressive dominance over our lives and Howard County's future.

Thank you again for making your views known. Best wishes for a peaceful and much needed holiday.

David Yungmann
 Howard County Council – District 5
 3430 Court House Drive
 Ellicott City, Maryland 21043

(410) 313-2001



From: sue huang <suehuang9@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 7:32 PM
To: CouncilMail <CouncilMail@howardcountymd.gov>
Subject: Please support Howard Residents against Sanctuary City

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

Hi Councilmen,

Please support local residents including both citizen and legal residents to vote against Sanctuary City.

Opel Jones betrayed our residents, and must be voted off.

Thanks for your listening!

Su
 Howard Resident

Sayers, Margery

From: no-reply@howardcountymd.gov
Sent: Tuesday, December 8, 2020 2:21 PM
To: Todes.judith@gmail.com
Subject: District 4 - Council Bill 63-2020

First Name: Judith
Last Name: Todes
Email: Todes.judith@gmail.com
Street Address: 10738 SYMPHONY WAY
City: COLUMBIA
Subject: Council Bill 63-2020
Message: Please support this bill. It is important that everyone feels safe in our community.

Sayers, Margery

From: Carol Tan <abgftan@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 7, 2020 10:03 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Oppose bill 63-2020

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Dear council members,

I am a 20 years immigrant resident of Howard county. I am writing to you strongly urge you to oppose Bill 63-2020 to make Howard County a sanctuary county.

Implementing a sanctuary policy in Howard County tells individuals living illegally in the county that despite violating federal laws, law enforcement officers and other public officials will just look the other way, even when they are arrested for committing a crime in the county. Howard County should not overlook immigration violations that harm the community.

We all know Sanctuary practices, like those that exist in Montgomery and Prince George's Counties, result in dangerous criminal aliens being released back onto the streets instead of being removed.

If you check dealing with the practice of sanctuary in the Bible, (Exodus 20:13, 21:12-15, 21:23-25; Joshua 20:4) it is clear that its purpose was limited exclusively for offenders who had accidentally or unintentionally killed someone, thereby providing a place where their case could be heard. Sanctuary was never intended as a place to avoid "the law" and the consequences of criminal behavior, but to allow the law to take its proper course rather than unwarranted vengeful retaliation when it was not called for. Consequently, offering sanctuary for foreigners who have broken American laws regulating entry to our country cannot claim to be following the practice described in the Bible. Rather, they are twisting biblical statutes to political ends and subverting federal law.

Please stop Bill 63-2020, keep Howard County a safe county we all love as now. .

Thank you,

Sent from my iPhone

Sayers, Margery

From: Michael Zhang <michaelwz2011@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 7, 2020 5:05 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Say NO to CB63

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

Hi all,

I'm a resident in District 1 and was shocked by the county bill CB 63 brought up by council member of district 2, Opel Jones.

Considering the relationship between Opel Jones and Kevin Ball, I fully doubt what Kevin's role is behind this silly Bill since Kevin brought up a similar Bill (CB9) when he was Council member of District 2.

I'm writing to remind you that you should work for all people of Howard County, not for the county executive; you should be responsible for all people instead of the person; Your duty is not to suck but keep an eye on Kevin doing a good job for all people.

Thanks for serving
Michael

Sayers, Margery

From: Rianna Lloyd <rianna@jufj.org>
Sent: Monday, December 7, 2020 4:24 PM
To: CouncilMail
Cc: Rabbi Jeremy Kridel
Subject: Testimony in support of CB63 on behalf of Rabbi Jeremy Kridel/JUFJ
Attachments: Jeremy Kridel_CB63_support.pdf

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Dear Councilmembers,

Please find attached written testimony in support of CB-63 on behalf of Rabbi Jeremy Kridel (whose testimony is on behalf of himself and Jews United for Justice). He is also CC'ed in this email. If you need anything else, please let me know.

Thank you,
Rianna Lloyd

Rabbi Jeremy Kridel
Ellicott City
macharjeremy@gmail.com

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Rianna Lloyd (pronouns: she, her, hers)

Baltimore Community Organizer

Jews United for Justice

860-874-9963 | rianna@jufj.org

<https://www.jufj.org/>

Think Jewishly, Act Locally

December 7, 2020

Rabbi Jeremy Kridel
8353 Montgomery Run Road, Apartment A
Ellicott City, Maryland 21043
macharjeremy@gmail.com

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF COUNCIL BILL 63-2020
Immigration status - limits on County employees and officials

TO: Howard County Council Members

FROM: Rabbi Jeremy Kridel on behalf of Jews United for Justice

My name is Jeremy Kridel. With my wife, I am a homeowner in Ellicott City, residing in Howard County Council District 2. I am a rabbi, and am a member of the Howard County Board of Rabbis. I am also a leader at Jews United for Justice. **I submit this testimony in support of CB63-2020 with strengthening amendments, on behalf of myself and Jews United for Justice.**

Coming from the Jewish tradition, I take seriously the Bible's instructions that we honor and not oppress the stranger. The book of Leviticus is clear: "The stranger who lives among you shall be like one of your own citizens, and you shall love them as yourself – for you were strangers in the land of Egypt" (Lev. 19:34).

Our fellow Howard County residents who have come to this state through immigration from another country know a different reality. Many of them know that a seemingly routine question about immigration status can result in detention after arrest and being handed over to ICE. Because of that, they do not seek government services like fire protection, even when it is desperately needed, because they fear that any contact with law enforcement or other government agencies means that they may be turned over to federal immigration authorities.

In an emergency, or when they need the help of local government, our neighbors have legitimate fears that asking for help comes with the risk that they will not be treated "like one of your own citizens." **This has collateral effects:** domestic abuse may go unaddressed and violent crime may go unreported, with victims remaining unsafe. Children may go uneducated and undernourished, and their medical needs may go untreated. The collateral effects of coordinating with ICE are too dangerous. We must put a stop to cooperating and collaborating with ICE, in order to better protect our neighbors and each other.

CB63-2020 will make our communities safer, and I am glad that the following strengthening amendments are included to bolster the effects of this bill: strong reporting requirements, specific consequences for violations, and the inclusion of contractors and HCDC staff as Howard County employees. **These amendments are necessary to fully protect Howard County residents.**

Whenever and however they might have come to our county, once here, all our neighbors deserve equal treatment under the law. They deserve, as well, the right to know that when they need help, they will not be profiled or detained because of their citizenship or immigration status. They should be loved as our own because they *are* our own.

For the foregoing reasons, I urge the Council to pass CB63-2020 with strengthening amendments.

Yours truly,

Rabbi Jeremy M. Kridel
8353 Montgomery Run Road, Apartment A
Ellicott City, Maryland 21043

Sayers, Margery

From: Nancy Shih <shih4500-nancy@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, December 7, 2020 4:09 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Stop CB63 - Stop violent crimes!

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

Dear Councils,

Passing CB63 & welcoming illegal alien criminals/gangsters will make Howard County public safety a nightmare!

Passing CB63 is abetting & emboldening illegal alien's violent crimes!

You don't want to have a hand in it! Howard County can't afford the consequence!

CB63 is a ridiculous bill! Please TRASH it!

Sincerely,

Nancy Shih



Thread



Howard County Police Departm...



@HCPDNews

At appx 10:23pm, officers responded to a shooting in the parking lot of the Mall in Columbia. A single adult male victim was pronounced dead at the scene. No other injuries were reported. Based on prelim info, police do not believe there is an ongoing threat to the public. 1/2

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

Sayers, Margery

From: hong Zheng <hong_0072004@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, December 7, 2020 3:43 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Please STOP Bill 63-2020

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Dear council members,

I am a 20 years immigrant resident of Howard county. I am writing to you strongly urge you to oppose Bill 63-2020 to make Howard County a sanctuary county.

Implementing a sanctuary policy in Howard County tells individuals living illegally in the county that despite violating federal laws, law enforcement officers and other public officials will just look the other way, even when they are arrested for committing a crime in the county. Howard County should not overlook immigration violations that harm the community.

We all know Sanctuary practices, like those that exist in Montgomery and Prince George's Counties, result in dangerous criminal aliens being released back onto the streets instead of being removed.

If you check dealing with the practice of sanctuary in the Bible, (Exodus 20:13, 21:12-15, 21:23-25; Joshua 20:4) it is clear that its purpose was limited exclusively for offenders who had accidentally or unintentionally killed someone, thereby providing a place where their case could be heard. Sanctuary was never intended as a place to avoid "the law" and the consequences of criminal behavior, but to allow the law to take its proper course rather than unwarranted vengeful retaliation when it was not called for. Consequently, offering sanctuary for foreigners who have broken American laws regulating entry to our country cannot claim to be following the practice described in the Bible. Rather, they are twisting biblical statutes to political ends and subverting federal law.

Please stop Bill 63-2020, keep Howard County a safe county we all love as now.

Hong Zheng

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

Sayers, Margery

From: Shiniery Koyuki <abszk1123@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 7, 2020 3:41 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Please STOP Bill 63-2020

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Please stop Bill 63-2020, keep Howard County a safe county we all love as now. .

Thank you,
Shiniery Koyuki

Sayers, Margery

From: Sayers, Margery
Sent: Monday, December 7, 2020 3:26 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: phone message

Anonymous caller against CB63-2020 and funding illegals.

Margery Sayers
Executive Assistant
Howard County Council
410-313-0832

Sayers, Margery

From: Chang Liu <lchang0330@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, December 7, 2020 2:37 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Oppose bill 63-2020

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

Dear Council members,

I am writing to let all of you know you need to STOP this bill by all means.

You re elected to represent all the tax-payers in Howard county. At this moment, we are experiencing many challenges and difficulties. We are having a rather large deficiency everywhere. Passing a bill like this not only add more financial burden, but also put all of us in an unsafe environment.

As a whole community, it's sad to see many kids are suffering, even commit suicide to take their lives. As leaders, aren't you taking actions to do something help families in need, and restore hope back to people's lives during this devastating time? You are the steward for our tax dollars. If you failed to fulfill your promise, you will be removed and never re-elected any longer.

STOP bringing bill like this, Do something for HOCO!!!

Sincerely,

Chang Liu

C363-2020

Sayers, Margery

From: no-reply@howardcountymd.gov
Sent: Monday, December 7, 2020 11:09 AM
To: f1han@yahoo.com
Subject: District 3 - Oppose to Council Bill 63-2020

First Name: Fei
Last Name: Han
Email: f1han@yahoo.com
Street Address: 7445 Cherry Tree Dr.
City: Fulton
Subject: Oppose to Council Bill 63-2020

Message: Dear Ms. Rigby, I am a citizen live in district 3 in Howard County. I'm writing to you strongly urge you to oppose Bill 63-2020 to make Howard County a sanctuary county. As far as I know, all my neighbors have the same opinion as me. They probably wrote to you already. When we voted for you, we trusted you would consider the safety and welfare of Howard county residents as your first priority. Please say "no" for all of us when you cast your vote regarding Bill 63-2020. Thank you! Best regards, - Fei Han

Sayers, Margery

From: Fei Han <f1han@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, December 7, 2020 11:04 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Oppose to Council Bill 63-2020

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Dear council members,

I am a citizen live in Howard County. I'm writing to you strongly urge you to oppose Bill 63-2020 to make Howard County a sanctuary county. As far as I know, all my neighbors have the same opinion as me. They probably wrote to you already.

When we voted for you, we trusted you would consider the safety and welfare of Howard county residents as your first priority. Please say "no" for all of us when you cast your vote regarding Bill 63-2020.

Thank you!

Best regards,
- Fei Han

Sayers, Margery

From: Catherine Daugherty <cdaugherty1@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, December 7, 2020 10:53 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: County Bill 63-20

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

To Liz Walsh and Honorable Members of the Howard County Council,

I ask you to vote NO to this Bill, as I believe that people who are not legal residents of the USA cannot be legal residents of Howard County and therefore should not have equal access to County benefits, opportunities and services.

Please vote against Bill CB-63.

Sincerely,
Catherine C. Daugherty
9000 Fathers Legacy Apt. 211
Ellicott City, Maryland 21042

Sayers, Margery

From: sue huang <suehuang9@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, December 6, 2020 10:44 PM
To: CouncilMail; Jung, Deb
Subject: Stop Bill 63-2020

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Dear council members,

I am a 20 years immigrant resident of Howard county. I am writing to you strongly urge you to oppose Bill 63-2020 to make Howard County a sanctuary county.

Implementing a sanctuary policy in Howard County tells individuals living illegally in the county that despite violating federal laws, law enforcement officers and other public officials will just look the other way, even when they are arrested for committing a crime in the county. Howard County should not overlook immigration violations that harm the community.

We all know Sanctuary practices, like those that exist in Montgomery and Prince George's Counties, result in dangerous criminal aliens being released back onto the streets instead of being removed.

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Please stop Bill 63-2020, keep Howard County a safe county we all love as now. .

Thank you,

Sue Huang
Howard Resident

Sayers, Margery

From: Yi Zhang <yuzha@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, December 6, 2020 10:17 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Stop Bill 63-2020

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Thank you,
Yi Zhang

Sayers, Margery

From: James Piersall <jimjoy62@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, December 6, 2020 9:38 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Howard County Bill 63

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

To: Liz Walsh and Honorable Members of the Howard County Council

As I understand County Bill 63-20 it orders all Howard County Employees to "refrain from taking actions with respect to immigration status," and delivers to "all residents of Howard County ... equal access to County benefits, opportunities and services."

People who are not legal residents of the United States of America cannot be legal residents of Howard County. However, sections of this bill prohibit county employees such as police officers from determining if a person is a legal resident of the United States.

The United States Government - not Howard County - has the responsibility for immigration legislation and policy. When a person enters our country illegally, that person has violated the laws of our nation. This needs to be addressed at the Federal Level, not at the county level.

I respect your Christian charity efforts to assist impoverished or otherwise needy individuals who do not follow our laws, but I request that you make it clear that such support should be performed by a charitable organization. Those individuals should be referred to respectable charitable operations, such as Catholic Charities and other charities. They should not be funded with taxpayer money.

It is an affront to the law-abiding residents of Howard County and diminishes the benefits - and responsibilities - of citizenship. Elected officials of Howard County have an obligation to the citizens of Howard County, the State of Maryland and the United States of America - not to citizens of a foreign country.

The County Executive vetoed the similar County Bill 63-20 (The Liberty Act) and County Bill CB -9 (Sanctuary Bill) that were passed by the Council in 2017.

Please vote against Bill CB-63.

Sincerely, James U. Piersall, 90501 Fathers Legacy Apt 345, 21042

Sayers, Margery

From: Jing Hai <jinghai2001@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, December 6, 2020 9:24 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Oppose Bill 63-2020!!!

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Please stop Bill 63-2020, keep Howard County a safe county we all love as now. .

Thank you,
Donghong Gao

Sayers, Margery

From: cffarctic@verizon.net
Sent: Sunday, December 6, 2020 2:38 PM
To: Jones, Opel; CouncilMail; Jung, Deb; Walsh, Elizabeth; Rigby, Christiana; Yungmann, David
Cc: Harris, Michael; Alston, Ashley; Smith, Brenda
Subject: NO to Sanctuary Bill CB63

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This email shall service notice that I am strongly opposed the proposed legislation. All laws should be followed including our immigration laws. I find it very frustrating that our elected officials are always trying to find ways around our laws instead of enforcing the laws on the books or working to change the laws that they don't agree with. Doing things the right way aren't always the easiest. I find your proposed legislation insulting as a citizen of the United States and individual that was born and raised in Howard County. I am the second generation of my family to be natural born citizens and my grandparents immigrated legally to this country and respected our laws!

Respectfully,

Charles Fleck

From: Jones, Opel <ojones@howardcountymd.gov>
Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2020 6:08 PM
To: Jones, Opel <ojones@howardcountymd.gov>
Cc: Harris, Michael <mrharris@howardcountymd.gov>; Alston, Ashley <aalston@howardcountymd.gov>; Smith, Brenda <bdsmith@howardcountymd.gov>
Subject: Councilmember Opel Jones --Council Bill 63-2020 Legislative Public Hearing

Good evening,

Thank you for your continued support of Council Bill 63-2020, renewing a legislative urgency to provide undocumented residents access to fair and equal services regardless of race, ethnicity, or immigration status.

On Monday, November 16th at 7:00 PM, the County Council will hold a Legislative Public Hearing. For more information, please click [here](#) (please note: you **must** sign up by **7:00 PM** on **Sunday, November 15th**). After successfully signing up, you will receive a Webex invitation from CouncilWebex@howardcountymd.gov on the day of the Legislative Public Hearing with instructions on how to participate.

Council Bill 63-2020 will help provide protections and provisions for the most vulnerable and underrepresented residents of our communities. Attached is my office's press release and a copy of Council Bill 63-2020.

I truly appreciate your voice in support of the vitality of our growing county throughout the legislative process!

Sincerely,

Opel Jones

Councilmember, District Two

Howard County Council

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Sayers, Margery

From: Sheen <kitten_yi@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, December 5, 2020 9:40 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Against CB63

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Dear council members:

I totally understand the good intention of the proposed legislation. However, passing the legislation may cause unintended consequences and is very likely to hurt undocumented immigrants who are the very persons the legislation attempts to protect.

The reason for claiming Sanctuary County is to protect the undocumented immigrants living in Howard County from deportation. Under the same reasoning, the best solution to protect the undocumented immigrants would be to claim the whole USA as a sanctuary country. If that becomes true, what do we expect to happen? Influx of undocumented immigrants, right? Same thing would happen if we claim Howard County to be a sanctuary county.

An influx of undocumented immigrants will definitely hurt those undocumented immigrants who are already living in Howard County. We are not big county. The job opportunities are very limited for the undocumented immigrants. An influx of undocumented immigrants will intense the job competitions which will lead to lower wage for the undocumented immigrants who are not protected by the minimum wage provisions and make their life in Howard County harder. When there are many undocumented immigrants, they cannot even find a job that's much lower than minimum wage, cannot receive social support from government welfares, and have a family to feed or have a loan to pay, what can they do?

Another unintended consequence is that passing the legislation may attract small percentage of criminals to the county. If I am an undocumented immigrant who cannot find a job and plan to rob someone, where will I go to commit the crime, a sanctuary county or non-sanctuary county? I think the answer is obvious.

I please your sincerely consider your vote to this legislation. Law is to protect, not a political statement. Please vote against it!

Alice Lee

Sent from my iPhone

Sayers, Margery

From: Shaofeng Yi <yishaofeng53@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, December 5, 2020 9:34 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Vote Against CB63

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Dear council members of Howard County:

I am writing to you to urge you to vote against CB63 and DO NOT declare Howard county a sanctuary county to attract criminal organizations such as MS13 to Howard County.

PLEASE vote against it! Thank you!

Shaofeng Yi

Sayers, Margery

From: Yi, Xin <yi.sheen@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, December 5, 2020 9:32 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Opposition to CB63

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Dear council members of Howard County:

I am writing to you to urge you to vote against CB63. I am sure you've heard enough reasons from the hearing. I stand behind my family, many neighbors, friends and colleagues who are against this bill. There are no good reasons to declare Howard county a sanctuary county to attract criminal organizations such as MS13.

So PLEASE PLEASE vote against it! Thank you!

Xin Yi

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Sayers, Margery

From: Julia Stitely <juliamstitely@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, December 5, 2020 12:01 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Testimony for CB 63

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Dear County Council Member,

I hope for you to support CB63-2020. In times of need, many people need support from financial, health, and basic needs. We should take away what is stopping people from receiving those needs. It is horrifying to intern or deport people. That isn't right. This bill can take away those barriers. Please vote yes.

Thank you,
Julia Stitely

Sayers, Margery

From: no-reply@howardcountymd.gov
Sent: Friday, December 4, 2020 11:12 AM
To: pwatson71@gmail.com
Subject: District 4 - pending bill CB 63

First Name: Paul
Last Name: Watson
Email: pwatson71@gmail.com
Street Address: 10738 Cordage Walk
City: Columbia
Subject: pending bill CB 63
Message: Please support CB 63

Sayers, Margery

From: Shiniery Koyuki <abszk1123@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, December 4, 2020 10:44 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Please Vote NO to CB63-2020

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Dear Council Members,

I've lived in Howard County for 20 years. I strongly oppose CB 63-2020, a Sanctuary County bill, because it is totally unnecessary!

Howard County Police Dept. already implemented Policy OPS-10 that forbids police officers to enforce civil violations of Federal immigration laws. So far, we have not heard any instances where OPS-10 is not being complied by the police department.

I believe Policy OPS-10 is effective & sufficient enough to protect the immigrant communities. We have faith in the integrity & professional training in our local law enforcement in observing Police OPS-10.

You also have openly stated that Howard County had no need to declare itself a sanctuary county legislatively. You made such a statement both in 2018 candidate forums and in interviews with Baltimore Sun.

I urge you to take the stance against CB63 and be consistent with your public opinions made in the past. Let's keep the trust with our local police department instead of tearing it down!

Please vote against CB 63-2020

Respectfully,
Shiniery Koyuki

Sayers, Margery

From: Dehong Kong <dehongkong@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 3, 2020 8:53 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Stop Changing HoCo into a Sanctuary County

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I am a resident in the Howard County. Our country and our county were built and succeeded upon the laws and orders. Sanctuary counties/cities harbor criminals, creating a dangerous environment for US citizens and defy federal laws to which state and local governments are bound.

Sanctuary policies prevent local and state police officers from doing their jobs.

Sanctuary counties/cities encourages more illegal immigrants' influxes which our country is having significant problems and challenges to battle with.

You are voted and trusted to work for the county and the county residents to make our HoCo a better and safer place to live. Please do not lose our trust and turn the county into a criminals' harbor.

KEEP THE LAWS AND ORDERS IN HOWARD COUNTY!

Regards,

Norman Kong

Sayers, Margery

From: Jonah Wisniewski <jonahtwisniewski@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 3, 2020 8:37 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Opposition to CB63-2020

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Council

I oppose Council Bill CB63-2020. I don't understand why this was not on the ballot in November.

My family and I have real concerns. We are a country made up of Legal Immigrants. We've gone through the proper process and met our requirements to become citizens. I believe dropping people illegally into a community will create unnecessary stresses to both the existing citizens and the illegals. They have not gone through the process to assimilate.

The fact that the illegals status must be confidential makes no sense. I have concerns over safety in the communities. Additionally, this will inevitably lead to an increase in county taxes.

Regards

Jonah Wisniewski

Sayers, Margery

From: Wendy Wang <ccstest@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 3, 2020 8:33 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: DO NOT ENCOURAGE LAW BREAKINGS BY CHANGING HOCO INTO INTO A SANCTUARY COUNTY!!!

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Hello,

I am a resident in HoCo. It has been my least interest to involve into politics in my life. But I found that I have to involve in it now as our lovely HoCo is heading to a wrong direction which encourages law breakings. The county council is not resolving any issues except creating issues. For example, the previously vetoed Sanctuary County by the majority of the county residents previously is gamed as a card as some people's political career ambitions again. Please excuse my harsh words but this is truly how majority of the county residents are feeling.

Our country and our county were built and succeeded upon the laws and orders. Sanctuary counties/cities harbor criminals, creating a dangerous environment for US citizens and defy federal laws to which state and local governments are bound. Sanctuary policies prevent local and state police officers from doing their jobs. Sanctuary counties/cities create more illegal immigrants' influxes which our country is having significant problems and challenges to deal with.

You are voted and trusted to work for the county and the county residents to make our HoCo a better and place to live, to keep HoCo a safe place governed with laws and orders. Please do not lose our trust and turn the county into a criminals' harbor.

PLEASE DO NOT ENCOURAGE LAW BREAKINGS!!!

Regards,

Wendy Wang

Sayers, Margery

From: Lisen Edwards <lisedwards@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 3, 2020 6:57 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Opposition to CB63-2020

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I am writing to express my opposition to CB63-2020.

38 years ago on December 13, 1982 my husband and I purchased our home at 15695 Bushy Park Road in Woodbine. We bought in Howard County because of the safe community and excellent schools.

Please understand that "illegal aliens" are just that "ILLEGAL". I am a law abiding citizen and I don't approve of my tax dollars providing services to those who have broken into our Country and County. And now as a Senior, I want to feel safe in my home and community. Does Kate Stienle ring a bell? She was murdered by an illegal alien who had been deported many times yet came back into the Country.

Please don't allow Howard County to become a sanctuary county.

Sent from my iPhone

Sayers, Margery

From: Chunxiao Zhu <zhuchunxiao@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 3, 2020 3:55 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Drop CB63!

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

Dear Council members,

I live in D4 and I want to ask Open Jones:

Why do you put illegal aliens ABOVE legal residents?

Are you serving illegal aliens rather than legal residents?

Do you know your job as a council member is to protect county residents' safety & enhance their well-being? Why are you doing the OPPOSITE?

Why do you expose legal residents under FEAR & danger because they are likely to be harmed by illegal alien criminals/gangsters?

Do you know that all legal immigrants have gone thru years of VETTING process - criminal background check, finger print, etc. but illegal aliens have NONE? And do you know how dangerous that is without vetting?

Do you know all sanctuary cities have suffered higher drug/rape/murder crimes? It's a fact! Don't deny it! You need to educate yourself!

If you don't know the answers and don't know your job, you need to drop CB63!

Please stop HURTING our county legal residents!

County residents should always be FIRST, not illegal aliens! KNOW YOUR JOB!

Thank you.

Zhu

Sent from my iPhone

Sayers, Margery

From: Lilly Chen <lillyhouse888@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 3, 2020 2:48 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: strongly oppose the CB63-2020

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Dear Council members,

I came to the United States through legal immigration process and became a naturalized US citizen more than ten years ago. Having lived in Howard County for more than 11 years, I felt strongly to protect the integrity of this County against the sanctuary bill CB63-2020.

I am all for sensible immigration laws, and we must make a clear distinction between legal immigration and illegal immigration.

Dear Council members, you would not encourage break-ins or play favoritism for persons who cut in the line, do you? If so, you would NOT believe in something is designed to work against the existing immigration laws.

If you truly believe our immigration laws were flawed, then you should propose a reform in the immigration laws instead of attempting to make rules and regulations at the local level in contrary to the federal laws. By supporting CB63-2020, you would betray our trust and severely undermine the safety and integrity of Howard County.

During yesterday's hearing, I heard the opposing views from each side. Overall, the people who were against CB63 were truly thinking for the wellbeing of the Howard County residents. Whereas the people who were for CB63 were making false narratives as if the immigration laws were outrageously wrong. Again, if the immigration laws were outrageously wrong, they should have fought for changing those laws instead of misusing our tax money to fund their own political agenda!

I am with many hardworking Howard County residents. Together we strongly oppose the CB63-2020. On behalf of my friends, neighbors, and colleagues, I respectfully urge you to stand up for the people and fight against this self-serving, insidious, morally corrupt County Bill 63-2020.

Sincerely yours,
Li Chen

Sayers, Margery

From: Connie Peng <conniepeng@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 3, 2020 1:46 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: CB63

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Dear Council members,

I live in D2 and I want to ask Open Jones:

Why do you put illegal aliens ABOVE legal residents?

Are you serving illegal aliens rather than legal residents?

Do you know your job as a council member is to protect county residents' safety & enhance their well-being? Why are you doing the OPPOSITE?

Why do you expose legal residents under FEAR & danger because they are likely to be harmed by illegal alien criminals/gangsters?

Do you know that all legal immigrants have gone thru years of VETTING process - criminal background check, finger print, etc. but illegal aliens have NONE? And do you know how dangerous that is without vetting?

Do you know all sanctuary cities have suffered higher drug/rape/murder crimes? It's a fact! Don't deny it! You need to educate yourself!

If you don't know the answers and don't know your job, you need to drop CB63!

Please stop HURTING our county legal residents!

County residents should always be FIRST, not illegal aliens! KNOW YOUR JOB!

Thank you.

Connie

Sayers, Margery

From: no-reply@howardcountymd.gov
Sent: Tuesday, December 1, 2020 1:45 PM
To: jennifer.feldman1@verizon.net
Subject: District 4 - VETO CB 63

First Name: Jennifer

Last Name: Feldman

Email: jennifer.feldman1@verizon.net

Street Address: 10241 BRADLEY LN

City: COLUMBIA

Subject: VETO CB 63

Message: As a HoCo citizen I strongly urge you to veto bill 63 making HoCo a sanctuary city. We, as citizens, have a right to be protected from criminals. I do NOT want HoCo to be a sanctuary county!

Sayers, Margery

From: Susan Frazier <sue.frazier@alight.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 1, 2020 11:22 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: CB63-2020 - Sanctuary county

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

I have lived in Howard county for 20 years, **and I am opposed to Howard County becoming a sanctuary county.**

With the challenges caused by the coronavirus, now is not the time to take on additional responsibilities and costs. We can't even keep the schools open !

Please DO NOT vote for bill CB63-2020.

Susan Frazier

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Sayers, Margery

From: John Wisniewski <JWisniewski@dspipeandsteel.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 1, 2020 8:33 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Opposition to CB63-2020

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Council

I oppose Council Bill CB63-2020. I don't understand why this was not on the ballot in November.

My family and I have real concerns. We are a country made up of Legal Immigrants. We've gone through the proper process and met our requirements to become citizens. I believe dropping people illegally into a community will create unnecessary stresses to both the existing citizens and the illegals. They have not gone through the process to assimilate.

The fact that the illegals status must be confidential makes no sense. I have concerns over safety in the communities. Additionally, this will inevitably lead to an increase in county taxes.

Regards

John Wisniewski
DS Pipe and Steel Supply
443-463-4136

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone



Latino Providers NETWORK

*Maximizing resources in the Latino community through
Networking, advocacy and education*

November 30, 2020
Councilmember Opel Jones
George Howard Building
1st Floor
3430 Courthouse Drive
Ellicott City, MD 21043

Re: Support for "Liberty Act" (CB 63-2020)

Dear Councilmember Jones:

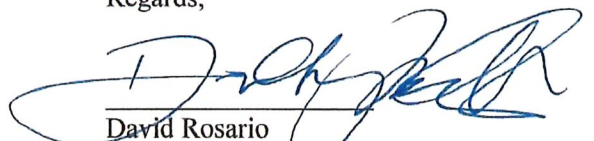
On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Latino Providers Network (LPN), I am writing to express our unanimous and enthusiastic support for Howard County's "Liberty Act," CB 63-2020.

The LPN believes that immigrants, documented and otherwise, are integral parts of all American communities and deserve to engage with their local government without fear of arrest, harassment, or discrimination based on their legal status, or that of their loved ones and neighbors.

Often, the attitude and messages received by immigrants are hostile and unwelcoming. This can have serious consequences for New Americans, and their American-born children. We have seen individuals and families eschew critical services and withdraw from public life, all out of fear of adverse immigration consequences. In some cases, this fear can even keep immigrants from contacting the police when they have been the victim or witness of crime, resulting in communities that are less safe for everyone. To effectively mitigate this tendency, the messaging from local governments who seek to affirm their New American constituents must be firm and unequivocal. We believe that CB 63-2020 accomplishes this in Howard County.

The Board of Directors of the Latino Providers Network applauds this initiative by the Howard County Council. It is our feeling that the Liberty Act will solidify the County's status as a place that welcomes immigrants and embraces the vitality and diversity that they bring. This bill sends a clear message that in Howard County all people, regardless of immigration status, can feel safe and welcomed.

Regards,


David Rosario
Board President, Latino Providers Network

Sayers, Margery

From: dherrera=pppcs.org@mg.gospringboard.io on behalf of Dee Herrera
<dherrera@pppcs.org>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 7:34 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: End the IGSA contract with ICE in Howard County

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

Dear County Council Members and County Executive Ball,

As a resident, I am concerned that Howard County still has not ended the contract between ICE and the detention center in Jessup. I urge you to pass (CB) 51 and sign it into law as soon possible.

We cannot continue to value profit over the well-being and safety of immigrants.

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues, there is a great need to reduce the number of people held in detention.

Also, by not being detained, more immigrants will more easily be able to solicit legal representation, and remain with their families.

To live up to its values of inclusion and equity, Howard County should no longer collaborate with ICE and its racist policies. As elected members of Howard County leadership, I urge you to do everything in your power to keep all our residents safe and finally end the ICE contract.

Sincerely,

Dee Herrera
1125 Gorsuch Avenue
Baltimore MD, 21218-3605

Sayers, Margery

From: Mark Frazier <mfrazier14618@icloud.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 12:23 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Opposition to CB63-2020

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I oppose Council Bill CB63-2020:

Illegal aliens broke the law to be in the US. My tax dollars are for U.S. citizens and not for criminals that broke the law.

There are to many US citizens and immigrants that follow our laws and are here legally that need our help.

Please vote against this bill

Mark Frazier

Sent from my iPad

Sayers, Margery

From: Beverly Dorsey <dorsey874629@bellsouth.net>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 8:26 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Opposition to CB63-2020

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I OPPOSE Council Bill CB63-2020.

I am 67 almost 68 years old and have been a Howard County resident since birth. My parents and grandparents worked hard to provide for my family and left us a legacy of being proud of who we are and working hard for what we need and what we want.

I see, firsthand, how the State of Maryland and Howard County provide and give excellent medical care to non-citizens. As a healthcare provider, I am empathetic to the health needs of everyone. I am not in favor of providing care to those who can and are able to work (or choose not) and are given better care than some citizens are able to receive.

Human trafficking and crime are of great importance to me, as well. Howard County has a reputation of being a safe place to live and worship. I want to continue having a sense of security in my neighborhood.

Thank you for consideration.

Regards,

Beverly L. Dorsey, RN, BSN, MHA
14846 Bushy Park Road
Woodbine, MD 21797

Sayers, Margery

From: Peter Wilschke <pwilschke@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 1:23 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Vote Yes on CB-63

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

Hi,

I'm a resident of Howard County and a recent HCPSS graduate, and I would like to affirm my strong support for CB-63. I believe that in order to affirm our County's and our Executive's stated values of inclusion, Howard County must not retain its contract with ICE. While I believe that this bill is an important step in the right direction, I would also like to suggest two improvements. Firstly, the bill should explicitly prevent County personnel from referring immigrants to ICE, a common-sense step which it currently lacks. Secondly, the bill should include contractors as well as state employees, to close the potential loophole of hiring contractors to do ICE's dirty work.

On the whole, I am glad that CB-63 is being proposed, and I highly encourage members of the Council to vote Yes in order to protect Howard County's immigrant communities.

Thank you,

Peter Wilschke

Sayers, Margery

From: David Aylaian <davidaylaian@protonmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 12:59 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Testimony for CB 63

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

Dear Council Members,

I am a recent HCPSS graduate writing to urge the council to vote yes on CB63-2020. I would like to thank Councilman Opel Jones for his leadership in introducing this legislation.

I do not think this bill is perfect, and I think there should be a few key amendments to make it more airtight. In particular I recommend the following changes:

1. Currently, compliance with CB 63 is exempted when it would "contravene state or federal law and international agreements or county contracts"/ This is vague and could significantly affect the bill's impact. Instead, compliance should be exempted when *preempted by specifically stated* laws and agreements.
2. CB 63 should explicitly prohibit all County personnel from referring immigrants or providing any information about a person's immigration status to ICE.
3. CB 63 should specifically include contractors as well as employees so that contractors are also prohibited from collaborating with ICE.

Many Howard County residents have testified against this legislation, arguing that we should use our tax dollars to make life better for our legal residents. I would like to respectfully respond that the primary purpose of this bill is to prohibit County employees from taking certain actions against undocumented immigrants. It does not cost the County tax dollars to not do something. I cannot stress this enough. People have sent in testimony after testimony about how we shouldn't spend our taxes on housing, tuition, and special programs for "illegal aliens". I don't know whether these people are reading the same CB 63 that I am. Additionally, for those concerned about the usage of our taxes, I would like to call into question whether we as a country should be giving ICE, an organization that has violated human rights time and time again, an \$8 billion budget. I am not sure that this is the best way to use our tax dollars to make life better for the people living in this country.

I also wish to respond to an interesting moral sleight-of-hand that has been practiced in this country for far too long. Our fallacy is in thinking that there is a moral distinction between the value of one life over another. We act as if there is a difference between the value of white lives and black lives, between men's lives and women's lives, between citizen's lives and non-citizen's lives. But all people on this Earth are born with a basic human dignity which no government, border, or genetic variable can take away. It is outrageous to propose that it is okay to tear families apart, to put children in cages, or to ship refugees away to their death based on their citizenship status. We have a moral imperative to pass this legislation because *non-citizen's lives matter just as much as ours do*.

This bill is an admirable step towards making Howard County safe for all of its residents.
Let us make that step.

David Aylaian

Sayers, Margery

From: Bob Gay <bgay5@juno.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2020 10:08 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: [SUSPECTED SPAM] Opposition to CB63-2020

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

Dear Sir or Madam,

Respectfully, I am writing to register my opposition to the passage of Council Bill CB63-2020. I am a Howard County resident and property owner.

Sincerely,

Robert Gay
Mt Airy MD

Sayers, Margery

From: Rick <rick20782@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 24, 2020 9:04 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Please vote NO to CB63-2020

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

Dear Council Members,

I am astounded with CB63-2020 proposed by Dr. Opel Jones that is clearly intended to make Howard County a sanctuary county. In 2017, in response to the widespread opposition from Howard County communities which caught national media attention, a sanctuary bill was vetoed by then Chief Executive and was finally abandoned by the county council. This sanctuary bill also become a hot campaign topic in the 2018 county election. And now, Dr. Jones wants to rewrite history and challenge the will of the people to open the gate to illegal immigrants.

The moral justification is presumably "No Human is Illegal". This is an absurd statement – illegality is never associated with the nature a human being, but associated with his or her conduct. By entering this country in violation with federal immigration laws, foreign immigrants, for whatever the reasons, broke the law and became "illegal". The fact that our great country is a country of immigrants does not justify illegal immigration. Immigrants are a source of strength to our great country, but there is no high moral ground by encouraging illegal immigration.

Secondly, immigration is not a shared responsibility between the federal government and local government, but strictly a responsibility of the federal government and an area to which federal laws apply. The obstruction of federal law enforcement by states and cities creates anarchy in the governance of a country. If a local government disagrees with the federal government or the interpretation of a federal law, it should go through an orderly process to challenge the federal government, but refusing to comply with federal government or law is by itself detrimental to the foundation of this country. For these who are championing for democracy, remember law and order are always the foundation of any democracy.

I hope the county council has the courage and wisdom to vote down CB63-2020. Howard County votes are watching you!.

Best Regards

Rick Chen

Sent from my iPhone

Sayers, Margery

From: michael <bionlaw@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 5:38 PM
To: CouncilMail
Cc: bionlaw@gmail.com
Subject: Working session on CB63

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Dear Council members,

I was invited for the working session on CB63, on Monday, November 23, and Dr. Opel actually tried to call on me (thank you, Dr. Opel). Briefly, here what I would have wanted to emphasize:

By and large, the conversation was on 'will the new law make a practical difference for our agencies, change the way they function, what are their current policies re immigrants?' I think it is not lost on any of us that a legislation, amended with enforcement clauses and reporting requirements, insures compliance by employees, in a manner that even a good policy would not succeed. CB 63, with amendments already proposed, would prohibit enforcement of immigration laws, prohibit collection of citizenship data (with some exceptions), create policies delignating consequences for failure to comply with these immigrant protection policies, as well as periodic duties to report to County Council and County Executive compliance with the new law.

Recently, Dr. Calvin Ball has expressed regret for what transpired at the HC Department of Correction. One immigrant (Howard County resident) with no ICE history was arrested for driving with an expired license. A HCDC employee contacted ICE, then HCDC held onto the immigrant for ICE's arrival, even after bail was posted. Now the immigrant is under deportation proceedings, likely splitting up a family, with children. CB63 would have prohibited approaching ICE with the information, and the employee would be disciplined. Even should that not be an employee that approached ICE, but, say, a contractor, he would have used County resources, be on County time, and thus prohibited from approaching ICE, under an amended CB63.

I was much impressed by agencies heads that testified, Lisa Meyers, Jackie Scott, Kelly Cimino and Mike Mitchell. But not all agencies have good policies, or procedures, or are inclined to enforce the policy. Apparently the Detention Center may end with a new policy, according to Dr. Ball. But a policy with no enforcement nor reporting requirements. The latest version of the Detention Center's Policy (May 14, 2020) requests its employees to provide space, room and cooperation to ICE. Although the Policy makes the nebulous statement that they accept only "criminally involved" ICE detainees, upon receipt of the detainee, the HCDC employee must only make sure the paper work is complete, does not verify the "criminal" status of the detainee. The ICE inmate is watched by video, telephone calls are monitored, "other investigations" conducted and the information is reported to ICE. An employee of an agency with such history is not likely to accept or follow a policy, unless there are consequences.

Thank you for your serious approach to this Bill. We need a Liberty Bill, one with some teeth.

Michael David
410-370-2122

Sayers, Margery

From: Ahmed Maregn <ahmedletif40@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 3:50 PM
To: Rigby, Christiana
Cc: michael; Sayers, Margery
Subject: CB-63-2020

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Dear Ms Rigby,

I saw two opposition articles on your website opposing CB63.

1. Illegal immigrants should be deported
2. Immigrants should be assimilated with American Culture.

I have no objection of having a comprehensive immigration law that aligns with the interest of the Nation. My objection is treating human beings who came here to make a living inhuman manner by law enforcement and organized racist groups who blame immigrants for every economic challenge they are facing. Most undocumented immigrants who are being miss treated by these group have been used by the business community for their cheap labor including by Mr. Trump and try to throw them out when their cheap labor is not needed.

As to assimilation with American Culture, why do we have to assimilate when the Constitution grants Religious and Individual liberty. The word I would prefer would be Integration with the American way of life. There is nothing wrong in Integration but I said no to assimilation because it is against the constitution.

I am writing this because I was not given the opportunity to speak at the work session that started at 1:00pm today.

Thank you,
Ahmed Maregn Mohamed

Resident at District 3 in Laurel, MD
301-640-8960

Sayers, Margery

From: ann sullivan <maslisbon@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 11:40 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Opposition to CB63-2020

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I STRONGLY OPPOSE BILL CB63-2020 !

Sayers, Margery

From: Wayne Sullivan <waynesullivan@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 11:35 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Opposition to CB63-2020

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I strongly oppose Bill Council CB63-2020 !!!
Bills like this make me wonder where you have your heads!
How in the hell are police officers supposed to do their jobs?
This disgusts me and I'm certainly not alone!

Wayne Sullivan
1601 Brittle Branch Way
Woodbine, Md. 21797

Sayers, Margery

From: Jung, Deb
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 10:39 AM
To: Sayers, Margery
Subject: FW: Please keep leading on ending ICE cooperation

Deb Jung
Council Chair, District 4
3430 Court House Drive
Ellicott City, MD 21043
410-313-2001

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-----Original Message-----

From: seyamini1993@everyactionadvocacy.com <seyamini1993@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 22, 2020 11:23 PM
To: Jung, Deb <djung@howardcountymd.gov>
Subject: Please keep leading on ending ICE cooperation

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Dear County Council Chairperson Deb Jung,

I am writing as a Howard County resident to urge you to vote in favor of Councilmember Opel Jones' Council Bill #63, with strengthening amendments. As you know, the actions of ICE are cruel, racist, and incompatible with justice and the values we claim to have here. Howard County should not be collaborating with such an amoral entity. You have been a leader on this issue, and I hope you will continue to lead by supporting this bill with strengthening amendments.

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Marylanders who have lived here for decades, some of whom have never been tried for or convicted of a crime, are being held in detention and threatened with deportation for no reason other than their race and immigration status.

I respectfully urge you to vote in favor of Council Bill #63 with strengthening amendments and continue your fight to end our county's collaboration with ICE's cruel and inhumane actions.

Sincerely,

Dr. Essie Yamini

3976 Ducks Foot Ln Ellicott City, MD 21042-4965 seyamini1993@gmail.com

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Sincerely,

ARTHUR SPILKIA

6617 Windsor Ct Columbia, MD 21044-4101 artspilkia@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: Henry Goins <hgoins1934@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 10:06 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Opposition to CB63-2020

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From: hgoins1934@yahoo.com

I oppose Council Bill CB63-2020

I strongly oppose this bill and believe we should take care of our legal citizens first.

Truly yours,

Henry Goins

Sayers, Margery

From: LISA LIPMAN <lipman8@verizon.net>
Sent: Sunday, November 22, 2020 4:33 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Opposition to CB63-2020

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I oppose Council Bill CB63-2020.

I disagree that tax monies I should go towards the funding of illegal aliens for housing, tuition, special programs, etc.

Regards,
Lisa Lipman

Sayers, Margery

From: Weiwei Jia <jiaww@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 22, 2020 8:39 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: OPPOSE to CB 63, the Sanctuary bill in Howard County

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Dear County Council Members,

My name is Weiwei Jia. I am a resident of Ellicott City, Howard County since 2006.

I am sending this email to let you know that I OPPOSE to CB 63, the Sanctuary bill in Howard County. This bill will attract illegals to come to our County, and will impact the public safety and financial capability of Howard County.

Thanks for your attention,

Weiwei Jia

Sayers, Margery

From: Barbara Harbison <barb57h@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 21, 2020 5:07 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Opposition to CB63-2020

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I oppose Council Bill CB63-2020. Illegal aliens are, by definition, here illegally. As a taxpayer, I find it distressing and hypocritical to see a bill proposed which protects those who have chosen to flaunt our laws. Please vote against this. Thank you.

Regards,
Barbara Harbison

Sent from my iPhone

Sayers, Margery

From: xiaohua hu <shahn18@hotmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 20, 2020 10:38 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: No CB-63

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Dear County Council Members,

My name is Xiaohua Hu, a PhD in Physical and Computational Chemistry, a proud, legal immigrant. As a resident lived in Howard County for more than 12 years, I am astounded with CB63-2020 proposed by Dr. Opel Jones that is clearly intended to make Howard County a sanctuary county. In 2017, in response to the widespread opposition from Howard County communities which caught national media attention, a sanctuary bill was vetoed by then Chief Executive and was finally abandoned by the county council. This sanctuary bill also become a hot campaign topic in the 2018 county election. And now, Dr. Jones wants to rewrite history and challenge the will of the people to open the gate to illegal immigrants.

The moral justification is presumably “No Human is Illegal”. This is absurd statement – illegality is never associated with the nature a human being, but associated with his or her conduct. By entering this country in violation with federal immigration laws, foreign immigrants, for whatever the reasons, broke the law and became “illegal”. The fact that our great country is a country of immigrants does not justify illegal immigration. Immigrations are a source of strength to our great country, but there is no high moral ground by encouraging illegal Immigration.

Secondly, immigration is not a shared responsibility between the federal government and local government, but strictly a responsibility of the federal government and an area to which federal laws apply. The obstruction of federal law enforcement by states and cities creates anarchy in the governance of a country. If a local government disagrees with the federal government or the interpretation of a federal law, it should go through an orderly process to challenge the federal government, but refusing to comply with federal government or law is by itself detrimental to the foundation of this country. For those who are championing for democracy, remember law and order are always the foundation of any democracy.

I hope the county council has the courage and wisdom to vote down CB63-2020. Howard County votes are watching you!

Sincerely yours,

Xiaohua Hu

Sayers, Margery

From: DIANE BUTLER <politicodiane@msn.com>
Sent: Friday, November 20, 2020 6:16 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: NO ON CB-63

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CB-63 is an excellent example of unnecessary legislation. Under the EEOC laws, it is illegal to discriminate against an applicant or employee because of that persons: race, color, religion, sexual orientation, pregnancy, NATIONAL ORIGIN, age, disability, or genetic information.

12.2102 section of CB-63 states, "In the performance of official duties, an employee shall not engage in the enforcement of the immigration & nationality laws..., except as required by state or federal law, international treaty, or an existing agreement between the county & a federal, state or local agency". So this seems to be a contradiction of the intent of the bill. This bill has no real content or meaning.

CB-63 sites United States legal code, that upon reading, specifically references, that, "...the protected individual is lawfully admitted..." meaning into the country. So, this legislation does not provide for illegal aliens or undocumented people.

CB-63 confuses discrimination with cooperation, & human rights with a political overstatement about the attributes of immigrants to the Howard County community. That immigrants from throughout the world contribute to our community's social vitality, cultural richness & economic strength is an irrefutable, self-evident truth & does not belong in legislation.

Let's focus on truly helping the underserved communities that have little voice in government, especially in Howard County Council District 2.

**Good testimony that I totally agree with,
Diane Butler
4056 Saint John's Lane
Ellicott City, MD 21042**

Just SAY NO

Sayers, Margery

From: James Kaidy <jtkaidy1@att.net>
Sent: Friday, November 20, 2020 3:05 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Opposition to CB63-2020

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As citizens of Howard County we are opposed to the bill CB63-2020.

We urge you to vote against.

Thank you,
James and Teresa Kaidy

Sayers, Margery

From: 左宇佳 <andyzuo@outlook.com>
Sent: Friday, November 20, 2020 11:48 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Against CD63

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Dear Council members,

I came to the United States through legal immigration process and became a naturalized US citizen more than Six years ago. Having lived in Howard County for more than Seven years, I felt strongly to protect the integrity of this County against the sanctuary bill CB63-2020.

I am all for sensible immigration laws, and we must make a clear distinction between legal immigration and illegal immigration.

Dear Council members, you would not encourage break-ins or play favoritism for persons who cut in the line, do you? If so, you would NOT believe in something is designed to work against the existing immigration laws.

If you truly believe our immigration laws were flawed, then you should propose a reform in the immigration laws instead of attempting to make rules and regulations at the local level in contrary to the federal laws. By supporting CB63-2020, you would betray our trust and severely undermine the safety and integrity of Howard County.

During hearing, I heard the opposing views from each side. Overall, the people who were against CB63 were truly thinking for the wellbeing of the Howard County residents. Whereas the people who were for CB63 were making false narratives as if the immigration laws were outrageously wrong. Again, if the immigration laws were outrageously wrong, they should have fought for changing those laws instead of misusing our tax money to fund their own political agenda!

I am with many hardworking Howard County residents. Together we strongly oppose the CB63-2020. On behalf of my friends, neighbors, and colleagues, I respectfully urge you to stand up for the people and fight against this self-serving, insidious, morally corrupt County Bill 63-2020.

Sincerely yours,
Andy J Zuo

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Sayers, Margery

From: Xixi <taixi65@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 20, 2020 10:29 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: CB-63 is a political posture, it creates financial burden

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Dear Council Members,

My name is Lucy Tai. I am an educator and a first-generation immigrant. My family has lived in Howard County for over 13 years. Today I am here to strongly oppose the CB63-2020 bill.

I am a democratic and strong supporter of Ms. Hillary Clinton. I still do not like president-elect Donald Trump and disagree with many of his positions. However, let me emphasize, this is not a time or matter about post-election disappointment, anti-Trump sentiment, hate, or diversity. This is about the future of Howard County, our home, our children's home. This is beyond Donald Trump and his administration. The timing of this bill is awkward and bad. It was introduced during the holiday season and right before the new president's inauguration. Even today, many people still have not heard about this bill at all. For such a critical matter, we simply cannot make a rush and risky decision.

Secondly, the content of this bill is vague. As much as I believe in all the good intentions of this bill attempting to provide better benefits and protections to undocumented immigrants, it lacks practical details, especially in terms of financial funding, or how to make this feasible in the long term. Let me ask this question: are we going to use the same amount of taxpayers' money we have today (or actually less money due to the potential loss of federal funding) to support more people OR increase taxes in order to provide the same benefits we have today to all people, documented and undocumented? Either way, how will this bill make financial sense to our whole community? For example, to our schools and already tight education resources? We all live by real financial numbers, not by politics. Trump and sanctuary California can declare bankruptcy, shall we?

Due to the limited time I have today, I am not even going to talk about other major issues like public safety concerns.

Council members, this matter is crossing party lines. Here I urge you to please carefully consider or reconsider your position. We are counting on you.

Thank you!

Lucy Tai

Sayers, Margery

From: Junye Chen <junye.chen@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2020 8:46 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: against the sanctuary bill CB63-2020

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Sincerely yours,
Junye Chen

Sayers, Margery

From: alilly6@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2020 7:12 PM
To: CouncilMail; Racialequitytf@howardcountymd.gov; Ball, Calvin; Jones, Opel; Jung, Deb; Rigby, Christiana; Yungmann, David; Walsh, Elizabeth
Subject: I KNOW YOU HEARD THE IMMIGRANT DEFLECTIONS AWAY FROM THE AUTONOMOUS RIGHTS OF ABORIGINAL-AMERICANS AND ADOS PEOPLE DURING THE "RACIAL EQUITY TASK FORCE KICKOFF" TODAY 11/19/2020! RACE IS GENETIC, ETHNICITY IS CULTURAL. STOP THE CONFUSION!

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I KNOW YOU HEARD THE WHITE LATINO IMMIGRANT SPEAKER DISINGENUOUSLY CLAIM TO BE INDIGENOUS! USE YOUR BRAIN HOW CAN A IMMIGRANT BE INDIGENOUS TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA??- YALL SHOULD HAVE ASKED HIM WHAT ABORIGINAL TRIBE IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HE ALLEGEDLY DESCENDS FROM OR WHICH PLANTATION HIS ANCESTORS ALLEGEDLY PICKED COTTON OR HARVESTED TOBACCO ON. THE IDENTITY THEFT THAT THESE FOREIGN COLONISTS COMMIT AGAINST ADOS AND ABORIGINAL-AMERICANS IS DISGUSTING! WE DON'T GO TO THEIR LANDS IN MASS NUMBERS AND CLAIM TO BE INDIGENOUS TO THEIR FOREIGN LANDS ABROAD! DO NOT TOLERATE IT HERE IN THE USA! WHAT ACCOUNTABILITY WILL THE RACIAL EQUITY TASK FORCE AND SUB GROUPS FACE? HOW LONG WILL ADOS PEOPLE ENGAGE IN NON-RECIPROCAL "INCLUSION" WITH OTHER ETHNIC GROUPS WHO DON'T RECIPROCATATE THE INCLUSION BACK TO ADOS IN RETURN? RACE IS DEFINITELY NOT JUST A "SOCIAL CONSTRUCT"! RACE IS DEFINITELY GENETIC PLEASE RESEARCH HAPLOGROUPS. IN REALITY THERE ARE FOREIGN COLONISTS IN OUR COUNTY FIGHTING TO PREVENT INDIGENOUS ADOS CHILDREN FROM GOIN TO SCHOOL WITH THEIR FOREIGN CHILDREN! THE FOREIGN COLONISTS DISPARAGE ADOS YOUTH FROM BALTIMORE AND DC! OUR ADOS CHILDREN DON'T NEED TO GO TO SCHOOL WIT THE CHILDREN OF ANTI-ADOS FOREIGNERS AND REALLY IT WOULD BE MORE BENEFICIAL IF DEY RETURNED TO THEIR ANCESTRAL LANDS ABROAD IN MASS NUMBERS TO DEVELOP THEIR NATIONS THE SAME EXACT WAY ADOS NEVER FLED THE USA IN MASS NUMBERS BECAUSE WE CHOSE TO STAY AND FIGHT OUR WAY OFF SLAVE PLANTATIONS AND BUILT OUR OWN SOCIETIES! ADOS ARE FIGHTING NATIONWIDE EVERY DAY TO DEVELOP OUR SLUMS! WE ARE NOT FLEEING TO OTHER COUNTRIES IN MASS NUMBERS TO ASSIST IN THE SUBJUGATION AND DISPLACEMENT OF INDIGENOUS GROUPS THE SAME WAY MASSES OF IMMIGRANTS ARE DESCENDING UPON ADOS COMMUNITIES DISPLACING ADOS PEOPLE EXACTLY LIKE GENTRIFICATION! YOU KNOW WHAT I SAY IS TRUE BECAUSE EVERY ADOS COMMUNITY IS FLOODED WIT FOREIGN MERCHANTS WHO LEECH THEIR STANDARD OF LIVING OFF THE BACKS OF ADOS! THE FOREIGN ECONOMIC EXPLOITATION OF ADOS IS UNDENIABLY DOCUMENTED! THEY ABANDONED THEIR IMPOVERISHED COMPATRIOTS BACK IN THEIR NATIONS OF ANCESTRAL ORIGIN TO CHASE CAPITALISTIC ENDEAVORS FOREGETTING ABOUT THEIR EXTENDED FAMILY IN SQUALOR BACK HOME! IMAGINE IF THEY WORKED AS HARD TO DEVELOP THEIR NATIONS BACK HOME AND I SAY THAT RESPECTFULLY FREE OF HATE! IT'S MORE IMPORTANT THINGS IN LIFE THAN THE FIAT CURRENCY OF CAUCASIAN COLONISTS IN THE UNITED STATES! YOU WILL NOT CONFLATE THE LEGACY OF ADOS WITH A DIMINUTIVE TERM SUCH AS "BIPOC"! WE ARE NOT THE SAME! WE MUST ACKNOWLEDGE OUR ABORIGINAL SUSQUEHANNA HAUDENOSAUNEE ANCESTORS WHOSE LAND WE LIVE ON! WE MUST RESTORE ABORIGINAL-AMERICAN AUTONOMY AND LAND RIGHTS IN THIS COUNTY! WE HONOR OUR ADOS ANCESTORS BY REMOVING THE COLONIAL TITLE OF "howard county" FROM THIS LAND AND OFFICIALLY ORDAINING THIS LAND AS HARRIET TUBMAN COUNTY! WE WILL RESTORE ADOS AUTONOMY AND LAND RIGHTS IN THIS COUNTY!

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PROUD ADOS HARRIET TUBMAN COUNTY RESIDENT

Sayers, Margery

From: paul.baicich <paul.baicich@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, November 16, 2020 12:41 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: ORHoCo: Support for CB 63
Attachments: TESTIMONY IN FAVOR OF CB63 ORHoCo.docx

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Dear County Council Members,

Attached you will find *written* testimony for CB63-2020.

Alas, we didn't have time to sign up for oral testimony tonight.

Best,
Paul J. Baicich
ORHoCo Chair



WRITTEN TESTIMONY IN FAVOR OF CB63 - 2020

by Paul J. Baicich, Chair, Our Revolution Howard County

16 November 2020

This written testimony is presented by Our Revolution Howard County, whose members reside in every district in the county. We present this testimony on CB63-2020, the "Liberty Bill," submitted by Councilmember Opel Jones, concerning protection for foreign-born residents in Howard County.

CB 63 would bring the county in line with formal legal policies in many other municipalities in Maryland, in surrounding regions, and across the country. In this regard, our county's previous opportunities to "catch up" over the past few years have failed, a sad commentary on the professed "civility" that is supposed to characterize us.

We should be asking ourselves: "Why is it taking us so long to get to this place?" and "How long must our foreign-born neighbors wait before justice is officially secured by the county?"

There are multiple concerns revealed in the Liberty Bill that still need addressing, and we will mention only a few:

- In many regards, CB63 appears vague as well as difficult to enforce. It claims to exempt compliance if it would "contravene state or federal law and international agreements or county contracts." The residents of the county really need to know what these exemptions are.
- The Liberty Act should explicitly prohibit all County personnel from referring immigrants to ICE, including the reporting to ICE of arrested immigrants and the pending release from detention of immigrant inmates at the Howard County Detention Center (HCDC).
- Howard County has a stated policy that under the current ICE contract, only criminal detainees are accepted. But authorities at the HCDC have admitted that they "never had reason to doubt" ICE's assertion of criminality of detainees it warehouses in Howard County. The County needs at least to double-check such assertions and maintain regular and rigorous review to assure that there have been no activities by county personnel in violation of the Liberty Act.

The report by the Office of Inspector General at the DHS, released on 28 October, concerning conditions at the HCDC is disturbing. The charge that the Center had multiple violations in contradiction to ICE standards is also an embarrassment to the county, especially since ICE itself has been so sloppy – or harsh in its "zero tolerance"—as to have “lost track” of the parents of a reported 666 children under their charge.

If the same DHS/ICE that can’t find these parents maintains, for example, that our county is routinely strip-searching detainees without “documented reasonable suspicion and supervisory approval,” it makes a mockery of our celebrated “good reputation.”

Again, Howard County has some serious “catching up” to do. Indeed, CB63-2020, if amended to correct some of its flaws, may very well bring us closer to that ideal.

Let's make Howard County safe and proud.

Paul J. Baicich
Chair
Our Revolution Howard County
7237 Swan Point Way
Columbia, MD 21045
410-992-9736



Sayers, Margery

From: Roslyn Zinner <rozzinner@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 16, 2020 12:27 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Support CB 63

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Support CB 63

My name is Roslyn Zinner, and I have lived in Long Reach in Columbia for 40 years. I am writing to encourage your support for CB 63-2020. Howard County government has a responsibility to protect everyone who lives here, regardless of immigration status. No one should be afraid to access County programs and services. As ICE has become a rogue agency that treats many of our citizens with disrespect, cruelty, and in violation of human rights, Howard County should not assist ICE in any way. There should be clear consequences for not obeying the law written into it.

These three measures would tighten the bill:

1. Prohibit County personnel, and specifically at the Howard County Detention Center, from referring immigrants and information about immigrants to ICE.
2. Not only County employees, but contractors as well, should be obligated to follow this restriction on reporting to ICE.
3. Prohibit County personnel from reporting to ICE when a detained immigrant is released from the Howard County Detention Center.

Let's make Howard County a place that is safe for all its inhabitants.

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**TESTIMONY BY HESSIE L. HARRIS
HELP SAVE MARYLAND. ORG
BEFORE THE HOWARD COUNTY COUNCIL
BILL CB63-2020
November 16, 2020**

Good evening. I am HESSIE L. HARRIS. I am representing HELP SAVE MARYLAND. We are a multi-ethnic grass-roots organization with members state-wide. Our goal is to educate the citizens in Maryland counties, cities, and towns regarding the negative effects of illegal immigration. We are an effective voice for Marylanders who are frustrated with politicians who seem quite indifferent to the rights, interests and welfare of the citizens they are elected and/or appointed to represent.

The paucity of detail shows this bill is vague and if passes, will ultimately be deemed void for vagueness. In that capacity, it also violates due process which requires that the accused know what they are charged with. In attempt at wide application, the bill covers nothing and everything clearly designed to paralyze those charged with enforcing the law from doing so for fear of running afoul of the law.

Now as to the substance. Sanctuary laws are ostensibly passed to facilitate trust between the illegal alien community and police so that illegal aliens feel comfortable reporting crime without fear of deportation. That is a fallacy. Illegal aliens move freely through this county and this state

participating fully in the communities where they live. There is no serious fear of deportation in this state. They do fear the criminal element amongst them who flock to areas with sanctuary laws because such laws make otherwise law-abiding illegal aliens easy prey. That same criminal element preys upon American citizens and legal immigrants as they become emboldened by their “successes” in their own communities.

Clearly then such sanctuary laws which are purported to protect otherwise law-abiding illegal aliens put them at great risk, as well as citizens and legal immigrants. They clearly do so by hindering the capture and prosecution of the illegal alien criminal element.

Also, this bill if enacted would prevent cooperation with ICE. It is an established fact that illegal aliens in Maryland sanctuary counties commit crimes and instead of being turned over to ICE, they are released and commit further serious crimes.

When people break the law, they fear being caught and having to face the consequences. However, the posture taken in this bill is that the county is not required to facilitate and cooperate with federal law enforcement. Any society is in grave danger of devolving into anarchy and corruption when residents can pick and chose which laws they will obey. Crime does not exist in a vacuum. Impeding and obstructing the enforcement of immigration laws create a breeding ground for violation of other laws, both federal and state.

Finally, sanctuary laws create policies that relegate American citizens and legal immigrants to second-class status. They must obey the law or face consequences. Under sanctuary laws, for the most part, illegal aliens will be shielded from such consequences. That fact seriously hampers law enforcement officers from carrying out their duties to protect and serve. Therefore public safety is endangered.

Sayers, Margery

From: R M <emailfortestimony@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 16, 2020 10:02 AM
To: CouncilMail; Jung, Deb; Yungmann, David; Rigby, Christiana; Jones, Opel
Subject: CB63-2020

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As a Howard County citizen I'm really glad to see Howard County moving to protect itself and it's citizens in regard to ICE's illegal activities and the resulting lawsuits against it and participating counties for breaking the law.

I hope you pass this bill to protect our citizens from a federal agency that's acting like this is the wild wild west and they don't have to follow US law, and our county coffers from the resulting lawsuits, which we have seen with other counties that if we voluntarily assist with ICE we can be named as a party, or in some cases considered the main party when ICE breaks the law or its own rules.

Thank you



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Printed Name: Lucia Curiel

Signature: Lucia Curiel

Date: November 16, 2020

Organization: CASA

Organization Address: 8151 15th Ave, Hyattsville MD 20783

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Number of Members: 100,000

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From: gina@eflutestudio.com
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Cc: jackstay5
Subject: AGAINST SANCTUARY COUNTY STATUS

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Dear County Council,

My husband and I are very much against this ill-conceived move toward Sanctuary County status.

Please use our tax dollars to make life in our county better for the legal residents here.

Thank you for your consideration.

Genevieve Eichman & Phililp Alman
9704 Robert Jay Way
Ellicott City, MD 21042

Paul G. Skalny, Esq.
4312 Buckskin Wood Drive
Ellicott City, Maryland 21042

Good evening Madam Chairman and Members of the Council!

My parents and I were born in Czechoslovakia. In early 1968, after completing his Ph.D. in Poland, my father was afforded the opportunity to come to the United States and do some post-doctoral research. Later that summer, my mother and I came to visit my father and, shortly after our arrival, the Russians invaded Czechoslovakia. This invasion left my parents in a difficult situation: return to their native country and subject the family to what turned into 20+ years of communist rule; or leave family and friends behind, and seek political asylum in America. My parents opted for the latter and eventually settled down in Howard County in 1972.

With that background information, there are two stories I would like to share with you.

First, shortly after taking a position with Martin Marietta in 1972, my father applied for and obtained a security clearance. For years to follow, my father was paid visits by agents from the FBI and other governmental agencies. These visits, which sometimes occurred multiple times a year, were geared around what contact my father maintained with family, friends and colleagues back in Czechoslovakia; what information was being shared and transmitted; and what contact, if any, he maintained with members of the communist party. My father was always forthright and cooperative. After years of these visits, one of the agents asked my father why he seemed so unphased by the visits and why he never seemed annoyed or aggravated by the barrage of questions.

Candidly, he was somewhat baffled by the question. After all, he saw his opportunities in America as a privilege and an honor; and he viewed what the FBI agents were doing as a means to protect his family and America from the likes of Hitler, Stalin and the Russians, forces with which he and his family had to contend since his birth.

The second story has to do with my family being the victims of what today would probably be considered a hate crime. Upon coming home from work one day shortly after our house in the Mt. Hebron development was completed, my father was greeted with the phrase "Go Home Commies" spray-painted on the street across the entire width of our property. Needless to say, my parents were saddened and hurt, particularly given the fact that they had no affiliation with the Communist Party at all; in fact, they stayed in the United States as a means to escape communist rule entirely.

From the two suit cases and the \$100 my family had in its name when it came to America, my family has made a nice living and is thankful for both the opportunities it afforded to us and the great friends we have made. But our success and our friendships did not come about as a result of government programs, sanctuary communities or laws which are little more than political rhetoric. It came about as a result of an appreciation for the opportunities provided by this country; by understanding that certain personal liberties needed to be sacrificed for the greater good; by working hard and looking for ways to contribute to, rather than take from, those before us that

helped build America; by speaking English, not Slovak, in our home; and, by making American friends and seeking ways to acclimate to their ways, rather than imposing our ways on them.

Dr. Jones and other members of the County Council, CB 63 is not the solution. And while my family is but one story, it's a story I know well and one that I hope you will give serious consideration.



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Printed Name: MIKE MITCHELL

Signature: [Handwritten Signature]

Date: 11/14/20

Organization: FIRW, Inc

Organization Address: 5499 Harpers Farm Road, E-200
Columbia, MD 21044

Number of Members: 8

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To: CouncilMail
Subject: Support for CB 63

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I am Arlene J.M. Grant. And, I am an immigration attorney. Today, I submit testimony in support of Bill No. 63 -2020 ("Bill"), introduced by Opel Jones.

This Bill supports a step forward to aid immigrants seeking to embrace the American dream without the terror of being taken by United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement as a result of cooperation by Howard County and its employees.

It is important to recognize the value of the Bill and also that more is required to protect immigrants in Howard County.

As an attorney helping immigrants, I am aware of the struggles and hardships endured to get to America. I hear stories weekly from men, women and mothers separated from their children. These stories are heartbreaking. Coming to America was their only option. If it were simpler to come to America - there would be fewer cases of illegal immigration.

The United States is a signatory to the 1967 United Nations Protocol ("Protocol") Relating to the Status of Refugees. The Protocol requires the United States to accept refugees and asylum seekers. Yet, the United States participation, it is obligated to provide, is lacking. This promise should be honored. America has not exited the agreement.

The environmental impact of global warming and climate change has devastated the economies of many of the nations from which people flee. Without an ability to make a living and opportunity, they seek what seems logical. The freedom to be. The right to survive and thrive.

America contributed to this devastation with its failure to implement a practice of sustainability to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to increase: a) energy efficiency, b) the use of renewable energy, and c) the use and recycling of materials. This is something America can yet refuses to address under the current administration.

In addition, in some countries, the foreign policies of America contributed to the devastation from which immigrants flee. The desire to police the policies of other nations should come with the cost of responsibility for the devastation. It is America's responsibility to fix the Country it broke or welcome the broken.

Yes, America is in the midst of a pandemic, but it does not curb its ability to welcome those who come in good faith and posing no harm.

For these reasons, I support the Bill and ask the Council to vote yes.

Respectfully Submitted,

Arlene J.M. Grant, Esq. *
443.865.0330
*admitted in Maryland

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From: miao liu <miaoliu99@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 15, 2020 8:46 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: No Sanctuary city

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To whom it may concern,

I am a new resident of Howard County, moved from San Diego, CA. One of the main reasons I moved is because our old school district introduced more and more refugee and illegal immigration. What happened? Quran was asked to be taught in public school!!! It did not pass with parents' strongly opposite. However, no pork product was provided in school's cafeteria any more. I always welcome legal immigration, but not ILLEGAL immigration.

In short, I strongly against Howard County to be a sanctuary place.

Best regards,

Miao Liu

Sayers, Margery

From: Bibi Foston <bhfoston@comcast.net>
Sent: Sunday, November 15, 2020 8:07 PM
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Cc: dthewes; peebsang; Indira Sharma
Subject: [BULK] Sanctuary County CB63-20

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Hello All,

To present this bill CB63-20 during these chaotic times is unconscionable. People are out of jobs, scared, and confused about their personal future and the County's future.

CB63-20 needs community input. I did not hold a single meeting for the year all because of COVID 19. I had to be protective to avoid the spread; it is not that we were not eager to have meetings. We missed getting together.

It seems as though the County Council is doing what they want - very disrespectful to the citizens. Our County Council did not contact us on this matter. Look below for source of information on this matter.

Instead of converting the County into sanctuary, the folks who are in agreement to CB63-20 should adopt the villages where the people are coming from (Central America) and help them to develop their villages (Central America). Show them the way, open their imagination, keep their families and relatives together. **Teach them to fish and in turn enjoy their place of origin.** Make the world a better place, don't over crowd one part of the world.

To be brief, CB63-20 would create diaspora and exploitation. I have heard and seen first hand the damages diaspora and exploitation caused.

NO to CB63-20.

Sincerely,
Bibi H. Perrotte-Foston

On 11/10/2020 1:46 PM District 5 <dyungmann@howardcountymd.gov> wrote:



D5 Special Alert

Sanctuary County Is Back

The charge to make Howard a sanctuary county is back. Public testimony on CB63-20 (virtually identical to the CB9 sanctuary bill from 2017) will be heard on MONDAY, November 16.

You are being contacted because you expressed an interest in this topic back in 2017 during the first sanctuary county debate. You must sign up no later than 7:00 PM Sunday evening (November 15) [at this link](#) if you wish to testify on CB-63.

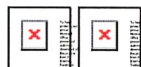
The 2020 bill (Council Bill 63) has been renamed the Liberty Act and intentionally avoids references to sanctuary. However, while some of these sanctuary policies may already exist in our county, this bill adds even more pro-illegal immigration policies and codifies those illegal immigration protections into Howard County law. The full draft of the bill can be found [here](#).

Thank you for your interest in this important topic.

David Yungmann
Howard County Council, District 5

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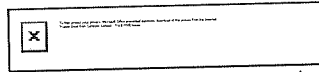


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Subject: Testimony for support of CB63 with amendments

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My name is Carla Tevelow and i am here as a representative and member of Howard County Indivisible's Immigration Action Team. The mission of this team is: Make Howard County a safe and supportive environment for immigrants. Our team hopes to raise public awareness of immigrants' and refugees' rights and concerns in order to promote compassionate legislation. Our team comprises over 230 members and we are a part of Howard County Indivisible which has over 600 members. Our team has been operating since January 2017 and we have advocated for immigrant rights on county, state, and national levels.

As a member of the Howard County Coalition for Immigrant Justice, we support CB63-2020. However, we believe the bill needs to be tightened to specifically prohibit employees and contractors at the Howard County Detention Center from providing any information about detainees to ICE, apart from important medical concerns. Immigrants in jail for civil offenses deserve the same protection as immigrants in the community. The bill also needs to address enforcement and consequence for non-compliance.

Howard County should have a law, such as CB63, that limits police partnership with ICE and other federal agencies. We do not believe police or other county employees should be allowed to inquire about immigration status, detain individuals on behalf of ICE or notify or transfer immigrants to ICE. This will enable us to keep our limited resources to be used here in Howard County and it will increase the trust of community members to contact the police if they are being harassed. We know that hate crime and xenophobic attitudes have increased exponentially during the past four years and this bill would bring victims out of the shadows.

Thank you for supporting CB63 with amendments.

Sayers, Margery

From: angelpri@aol.com
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To: CouncilMail
Subject: CB-63

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To Council Members:

I am sending this email to you vs. testifying virtually on Monday, November 16, 2020, regarding CB-63 Bill. I wanted to testify virtually, but the system kept stating my password did not match my username. Strange.....

Please count my testimony against CB-63 Bill.. I believe such a bill violates equity for all those who came to this country legally!!

In addition, providing a safe haven for illegal aliens is unfair to immigrants who respect our nations laws!

Law enforcement officers are on the front lines, dealing with crime associated with illegal immigration, including drug and gang related crimes. Sanctuary practices result in dangerous criminal aliens being released back onto the streets instead of being removed.

I trust my testimony against CB-63 will be counted.

Angela Hammond
Resident of Howard County
Ellicott City, Maryland



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County Council regarding CB 63 - 2020 to express the organization's
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Printed Name: Carla Tevelow

Signature: [Signature]

Date: 11/15/20

Organization: Howard County Indivisible

Organization Address: IndivisibleHCoMD@gmail.com

Number of Members: 600

Name of Chair/President: Elizabeth Kato

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From: cpixiew@verizon.net
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To: cpixiew@verizon.net; CouncilMail
Subject: CB63-2020, the Liberty Act, Written Testimony

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Good evening, County Council Members,

I am submitting my written testimony in opposition to CB63-2020, the Liberty Act. I am not available to give this testimony virtually.

My name is Carolyn Weibel, and I reside on Longview Drive in Valley Mede in Ellicott City, Maryland.

The undocumented population in this county is a small percentage of the citizen base. We should be encouraging those who are here illegally to get on the path to citizenship, not continue to add more pro-illegal immigration policies and incorporate them into law in Howard County. There are resources here in the county for the undocumented population. Churches, schools, and other social/volunteer organizations should step up to lend a hand to guide the undocumented people through the citizenship process. Our resources are stretched for our own citizens, and we don't need to overwhelm them by providing additional services to people who have chosen to violate Federal Immigration Laws. Such a fine example we are providing to our children that breaking the law is permissible!

Becoming a sanctuary county is following a nationwide trend that leads to other issues for its citizens - change in the quality of life, safety issues for ourselves and our Emergency Responders, eroding property values, potential local litigation, etc. This bill is an affront to those who immigrated legally to this country, their struggles to attain citizenship, and a mockery of our American way of life.

Like many, I have had relatives go off to war - some have lost their lives to protect our cherished freedoms and our way of life. It is disrespectful and minimizes their sacrifices by allowing undocumented people the "right" to disobey our laws. This bill is a continued endorsement of such illegality.

We have issues with education funding, school building maintenance, excess residential development, storm water mitigation, etc. Let's put our priorities and our monies where they can do the most good. Let's take care of the legal citizens in Howard County first.

Again, I am in opposition to CB63-2020, the Liberty Act. Thank you for taking the time to read my testimony.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Weibel

Sayers, Margery

From: Sara Cochran <cochransara1@juno.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 15, 2020 3:49 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Please vote FOR CB63-2020

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Dear Members of the Howard County Council:

I am writing to urge you to support CB63-2020.

1. Employees and residents of Howard County have a long history of non-discriminatory policies and practices. This bill upholds this history and takes a stand against discrimination based on citizenship status, race, or national origin.
2. Our local law enforcement officers rely on the cooperation of all citizens, documented and undocumented, to help them combat crime and maintain public order. Because immigrant families and communities are of mixed status, even those immigrants residing here legally would be fearful and reluctant to cooperate with law enforcement if they hear rumors that local governments may be cooperating with federal immigration enforcement.
Immigrants are vulnerable to human trafficking and organized crime. In addition, they often experience violations of their employee, tenant, and consumer rights. Our local law enforcement officers wish to protect residents, build bridges with their community policing, and successfully investigate and solve crimes, not create more fear among our most vulnerable by working as adjunct immigration agents.
3. If immigrants fear that medical personnel will report them or family members to federal immigration authorities, they may not seek medical care. If the health problem is contagious, the health of the community will be at risk.
4. If families fear that local government will report them to federal immigration authorities, these families and communities may be negatively impacted in other ways. Children who do not attend school will be at a permanent disadvantage in life. This particular disadvantage can lead to crime and increased dependence on public benefits.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sara Cochran

Community Member, Howard County Human Trafficking Prevention Coordination Council

Co-founder, Ho Co AGAST (Advocacy Group Against Slavery & Trafficking)

8145 Cyprus Cedar Lane, Ellicott City, MD 21043

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Howard County Advocacy Group Against Slavery & Trafficking

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From: Kristin Lilly <kristin.lilly@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 15, 2020 2:56 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Support for CB63

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Councilmembers:

My name is Kristin Lilly and I am a social worker that lives in District 1.

I support CB 63 with the following amendments:

- The Howard County Detention Center should be prohibited from providing any information about detainees to ICE, except for urgent medical concerns.
- Immigrants in jail for civil offenses deserve the same protection as immigrants in the community.
- Enforcement and consequences for non-compliance should be discussed in the bill.

Thank you.

Kristin Lilly

Sayers, Margery

From: Jeff Mercy <jefmercy@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 15, 2020 2:12 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: STRONGLY OPPOSE CB63-20

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Dear Howard County Council Members,

I very strongly oppose the proposed bill CB63-20. The bill violates equity for all those immigrants that have come to this country legally. My friends that have moved here to Howard County to get away from Montgomery County which became a Sanctuary County some years back. They left Montgomery County to get away from the increased crime and related drug and gang activity that Montgomery County attracted with its Sanctuary status. The crime/gang activity in Howard County has gotten steadily worse in the last decade and I fear for my family's safety if Howard County also becomes a sanctuary for illegal immigrants and the crime, drugs and gang activity that will follow like in neighboring counties.

Sincerely,
Tricia Mercy
12745 Folly Quarter Rd
Ellicott City, MD 21042

Jeff Mercy 410-476-7748 jefmercy@yahoo.com

The world says, "the more you take, the more you have." Christ says "The more you give, the more you are" - Frederick Buechner.

Sayers, Margery

From: Tricia Mercy <triciamercy@yahoo.com>
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Dear Howard County Council Members,

I very strongly oppose the proposed bill CB63-20. The bill violates equity for all those immigrants that have come to this country legally. Also, I have many friends that have moved here to Howard County to get away from Montgomery County which became a Sanctuary County some years back. They left Montgomery County to get away from the increased crime and related drug and gang activity that Montgomery County attracted with its Sanctuary status. The crime/gang activity in Howard County has gotten steadily worse in the last decade and I fear for my family's safety if Howard County also becomes a sanctuary for illegal immigrants and the crime, drugs and gang activity that will follow like in neighboring counties.

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From: no-reply@howardcountymd.gov
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Subject: Council - CB 63

First Name: Alice
Last Name: Pham
Email: alicekpham@yahoo.com
Street Address: 9650 Sandlight Ct
City: Columbia
Subject: CB 63

Message: I am a long time county resident in District 3. I am writing in support of this bill. I applaud Councilman Jones for realizing immigrants in our county. Regardless of their immigration status, all residents of our county need to feel safe when interacting with this legislation, these residents will know that their issues will be handled with respect without being questioned to encourage our County Executive to end our contracts with I.C.E. to house detainees in the Jessup Detention center. This I.C.E. policies. Furthermore, reported conditions make us even more complicit as reported in the Baltimore Sun. https://www.baltimore.com/story/ice-dhs-violations-20201106-xysr52tirfg2jlqh6g6j4pghxu-story.html?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Howard%20County%20Times%3A%20Top%20Story

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To: CouncilMail
Cc: mxdunigan@aol.com; cadegges@aol.com
Subject: Sanctuary Caounty, AKA the "Liberty Bill"

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To Whom it May Concern:

Please be advised that I am formally expressing my opposition to making Howard County, Maryland, a sanctuary county. There is absolutely no reason to exempt certain classes of people from the existing law. There is also no reason for the taxpayers of this county to subsidize the flouting of Federal, state, and local law.

Neighboring counties are currently allowing the disrespect to our laws, and it has served as a magnet to persons in the country illegally as well as criminal elements to take up residence in these counties to the detriment of US citizens.

Please vote against this proposal.

Signed,

Michael J. Dunigan

Who is in Charge of Running Our Day to Day Life

We all live under the assumption there is a government system that has three branches. It is also assumed that all the three branches of the government have none overlapping power that run the affairs of the citizens. All those three branches are run by officials who are elected by the people or nominated by the elected officials. These setup clearly tell us that a government system is representative of the people who are elected to represent the best interest of the people.

The Million dollar questions that need to be answered are:

- Are the elected and nominated officials of the government really working for the best interest of the people?
- Are you really one branch of the government that have power in matters that affect our day to day life?
- Are there hidden powers that are running the affairs of the people in disguise?
- Are there exception in the society that the written laws of the land does not apply to them?
- Are there unwritten laws that the residents supposed to know without being told that those laws exit?
- Is there a law that gives certain group the power to invade someone's privacy 24/7 both physically or virtually?
- Are our justice system accessible to all?
- Are our justice system function in a transparent manner to insure nobody is above the law?

I am having trouble understanding:

- Why I don't I get paid unemployment insurance just like any other person who have worked in the state and terminated for one reason or another
- Why I don't I get treated the same in a divorce court and the opposing council has all information that I am writing in my computer whether I am online or not.
- Why my case that I filed for unlawful withholding of wage never get assigned a hearing date while other similar cases are being assigned a hearing date
- Why I have to be monitored 24/7 both physically and virtually
- Why I get eviction notice from a leasing office when I never missed a single payment despite financial difficulties
- Why I don't I get proper mailing services from USPS especially mails related to my court cases
- Why I don't get proper services from MVA when I have matters related to my driving license or vehicles
- Why I do I keep getting multiple pest control notices on my apartment door but the pest control does show up on the scheduled date and time.
- Why I get people coming to my apartment asking about my ID and bills that I am paying
- Why Do I have to get two big nails in my tire in less than six months that cost me replacing a brand new tire and a tire patching that I paid \$82.

Who is in Charge of Running Our Day to Day Life

For some unknown reason I am leaving in isolation even though I have two children who are living 15 minutes away from where I live. When Trump started separating immigrant families in 2018, the entire nation's news media covered it for months daily. However; nobody seems to care when I never had meaningful time with my children for over two years for no reason that I can think of except that I decided to separate with their mother in summer of 2018.

The only thing I know about myself is that I am an immigrant; however, my attempt to make friends was not successful to ask if other immigrants are living like me or not. This is an invitation from me to the Council member if any of you want to be a friend it does matter your gender, race, religion or political affiliation so that I will have someone to talk to in the coming Holiday Season.

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We all live under the assumption there is a government system that has three branches. It is also assumed that all the three branches of the government have none overlapping power that run the affairs of the citizens. All those three branches are run by officials who are elected by the people or nominated by the elected officials. These setup clearly tell us that a government system is representative of the people who are elected to represent the best interest of the people.

The Million dollar questions that need to be answered are:

- Are the elected and nominated officials of the government really working for the best interest of the people?
- Are you really one branch of the government that have power in matters that affect our day to day life?
- Are there hidden powers that are running the affairs of the people in disguise?
- Are there exception in the society that the written laws of the land does not apply to them?
- Are there unwritten laws that the residents supposed to know without being told that those laws exist?
- Is there a law that gives certain group the power to invade someone's privacy 24/7 both physically or virtually?
- Are our justice system accessible to all?
- Are our justice system function in a transparent manner to insure nobody is above the law?

I am having trouble understanding:

- Why I don't I get paid unemployment insurance just like any other person who have worked in the state and terminated for one reason or another
- Why I don't I get treated the same in a divorce court and the opposing council has all information that I am writing in my computer whether I am online or not.
- Why my case that I filed for unlawful withholding of wage never get assigned a hearing date while other similar cases are being assigned a hearing date
- Why I have to be monitored 24/7 both physically and virtually
- Why I get eviction notice from a leasing office when I never missed a single payment despite financial difficulties
- Why I don't I get proper mailing services from USPS especially mails related to my court cases
- Why I don't get proper services from MVA when I have matters related to my driving license or vehicles
- Why I do I keep getting multiple pest control notices on my apartment door but the pest control does show up on the scheduled date and time.
- Why I get people coming to my apartment asking about my ID and bills that I am paying
- Why Do I have to get two big nails in my tire in less than six months that cost me replacing a brand new tire and a tire patching that I paid \$82.

Who is in Charge of Running Our Day to Day Life

For some unknown reason I am leaving in isolation even though I have two children who are living 15 minutes away from where I live. When Trump started separating immigrant families in 2018, the entire nation's news media covered it for months daily. However; nobody seems to care when I never had meaningful time with my children for over two years for no reason that I can think of except that I decided to separate with their mother in summer of 2018.

The only thing I know about myself is that I am an immigrant; however, my attempt to make friends was not successful to ask if other immigrants are living like me or not. This is an invitation from me to the Council member if any of you want to be a friend it does matter your gender, race, religion or political affiliation so that I will have someone to talk to in the coming Holiday Season.

Sayers, Margery

From: Nonna <nonnaks@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 15, 2020 11:09 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Agains bill #63-2020

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To whom it may concern,

My family - is the family of immigrants for 30 years. My husband and I are first generation, and our children and grandchildren were born Americans. We came to America as to a Country of Opportunity. We didn't ask Social Services to feed us. We worked hard. Before we could use our professional knowledge, we were working as a babysitters and cleaning ladies, as a salesmen and grass mower. We were surviving and learning a lot. The thing that has always surprised me is how and why some of us, as strong and healthy human beings, don't want to move and have no interest in working, instead counting only on handouts from Social Services.

Long ago I lived in Montgomery county for a few years. What I hear now from some of my friends who still live there is that the county has awfully changed: They are moving away because of this. The county changed much for the worse after it became a sanctuary county.

I'm against Bill No.63-2020 that allows Howard County to become a sanctuary county and believe that illegal immigrants should have to go through the same proper lawful procedures as legal immigrants have to.

Respectfully,

Slutsky family

Sent from my iPhone

Sayers, Margery

From: Ang Fatula <fatulaangela@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 14, 2020 8:24 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Sanctuary County

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I just wanted to write as a concerned citizen in regards to the sanctuary County status. It is my understanding our police officers are not actively imprisoning illegal immigrants if no criminal offenses are found on record. I agree if they find criminal activity involved, any person, no matter their status should face the appropriate consequences for their actions. Barring County officials from talking to ICE when there is criminal activity related to illegal immigrants is counterintuitive to promoting safety in our community.

Coming from a Hispanic family who had legally immigrated from Mexico, as well as having a current family member who was from another country and has legally gained citizenship, we should continue to stress the importance of following the citizenship process.

We should focus our energy on bringing people to this community that are law abiding citizens wanting to contribute positively to our county. This includes following the process to citizenship. Starting off by not following the rules is not someone anyone wants on their team, or in their community. Help those who are making an impact gain citizenship.

Thank you.



HOWARD COUNTY COUNCIL
AFFIDAVIT OF AUTHORIZATION
TO TESTIFY ON BEHALF OF AN ORGANIZATION

I, Michael David, have been duly authorized by
(name of individual)

Howard County Coalition for Immigrant Justice to deliver testimony to the
(name of nonprofit organization or government board, commission, or task force)

County Council regarding CB 63 - 2020 to express the organization's
(bill or resolution number)

support for / opposition to / request to amend this legislation.
(Please circle one.)

Printed Name: Michael David

Signature: [Signature]

Date: 11/14/2020

Organization: Howard County Coalition for Immigrant Justice

Organization Address: 4642 Smokey Wreath Way,

Elicott City, MD 21042

Number of Members: 4,000

Name of Chair/President: Louise Liskin

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November 14, 2020
RE CB63-2020

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on CB63.

My name is Michael David. I am a Howard County resident and I am speaking in the name of Howard County Coalition for Immigrant Justice. Conditionally, we support CB63. Any step ensuring that Howard County residents are protected from xenophobic and cruel policies by the Immigration and Customs Enforcement Agency (ICE) is a step in the right direction. But CB63 requires amendments.

Last Friday the Coalition had an opportunity to discuss CB63 with Councilman Jones. Please correct me, Dr. Jones, if my summary is mistaken. In our conversation, and to Dr. Jones credit, we all concluded that CB63 can be improved by amendment, it should be improved, and we discussed some possible amendments. Mr. Jones agreed that the conversation about specific amendments will resume, in short order. It is with the assumption that we all will succeed in amending CB63 to create a legislation that is precise and enforceable that the Coalition supports the introduction of CB63.

The topics of concern to the Coalition include:

- It is difficult to enforce vague language. The Act exempts actions that might contravene unnamed laws and agreements. Residents and County employees need to know what precise exemptions are contemplated.
- Specific activities need to be named as prohibited. Particularly, Howard County should not report to ICE the arrest of immigrants nor their release from detention. Innocent individuals, or people that may have served a sentence and had paid their debts to society get ensnared by ICE and deported because of collaboration by County agents.
- Similarly, Howard County should nor report investigations on immigrants while the immigrants are ICE detainees.
- Howard County employees and contractors should be required to take active steps to ensure that ICE detainees brought to Howard County are only individuals convicted of crimes and also that they have current tests showing them not infectious with Covid-19.
- Finally, the Act should have a reporting requirement and an enforcement mechanism.

Thank you. I am sure that an improved Liberty Bill is the aim of the Howard County Council and of Councilman Jones. The Coalition would like to help.



HOWARD COUNTY COUNCIL
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I, Ahmed Maregn Mohamed, have been duly authorized by
(name of individual)

ACLU's Howard County Grassroots to deliver testimony to the
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County Council regarding **CB-63-2020** to express the organization's
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support for / opposition to / request to amend this legislation.
(Please circle one.)

Printed Name: Ahmed Maregn Mohamed

Signature: Ahmed Maregn

Date: 11/14/2020

Organization: ACLU's Howard County Grassroots

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Number of Members: 200+

Name of Chair/President: Michael

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Sayers, Margery

From: James Gaidis <jmgaidis@verizon.net>
Sent: Saturday, November 14, 2020 11:02 AM
To: Walsh, Elizabeth
Cc: CouncilMail
Subject: County Bill 63-20

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To: Liz Walsh and Honorable Members of the Howard County Council

County Bill 63-20 orders all Howard County Employees to "refrain from taking actions with respect to immigration status," and delivers to "all residents of Howard County ... equal access to County benefits, opportunities and services."

People who are not legal residents of the United States of America cannot be legal residents of Howard County. However, sections of this bill prohibit county employees such as police and first responders from determining if a person is a legal resident of the United States.

The United States Government - not Howard County - has the responsibility for immigration legislation and policy. When a person enters our country illegally and has violated the laws of our nation, this needs to be addressed at the Federal Level, not at the county level.

I applaud your Christian charity in assisting impoverished or otherwise needy individuals who do not follow our laws, but I request that you make it clear that such support is a charitable effort, and refer such individuals to respectable charitable operations, such as Catholic Charities and other charities. Fund them if possible.

It is an affront to the law-abiding residents of Howard County to diminish the benefits - and responsibilities - of citizenship. Elected officials of Howard County have an obligation to the citizens of Howard County, the State of Maryland and the United States of America - not to citizens of a foreign country.

The County Executive vetoed the similar County Bill 63-20 (The Liberty Act) and County Bill CB -9 (Sanctuary Bill) that were passed by the Council in 2017.

Please vote against Bill CB-63.

Sincerely, James M. Gaidis 9051 Fathers Legacy 21042

Sayers, Margery

From: Ruth Nimmo <ruthnimmo77@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 14, 2020 10:18 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Support CB 63

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Dear County Council Members,

My name is Ruth Nimmo and I have been a resident of Howard County for 22 years. I live in Council District 4.

I strongly support CB 63. This bill provides much needed and long overdue protection for foreign-born residents in Howard County. They should not have to face obstacles to access county services nor live in fear that county employees will send their information to ICE. Immigrants provide much needed talent and energy to the American economy. Let's make Howard County a welcoming and inclusive community.

I would also like to state my opposition to the contract Howard County has to house ICE detainees. We should not be supporting the federal government's repressive posture towards immigrants.

Thank you,

Ruth E. Nimmo

10001 Windstream Drive, Apt. 805

Columbia, MD 21044

Sayers, Margery

From: Jim Caldiero <jimcal87@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 14, 2020 9:33 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: In SUPPORT of CB63-2020
Attachments: Testimony in Support of CB63.pdf

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Testimony in SUPPORT of Council Bill (CB) 63-2020, an act that prohibits all county employees from taking certain actions with respect to the immigration status of specified individuals, with certain amendments.

I am James Caldiero. I live at 4128 Lotus Circle, Ellicott City, MD 21043 and have lived in Howard County for 42 years in Ellicott City, Columbia, and Clarksville.

I appreciate this opportunity to offer written testimony in support of CB63-2020 with a few reservations that can be rectified by the amendments suggested by the citizens groups CASA and the ACLU. These amendments will strengthen the act by specifically prohibiting employees and contractors at the Howard County Detention Center from providing any information about detainees, apart from medical concerns, to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). Immigrants detained for civil offenses should have the same protections as immigrants in the community. Moreover, the bill needs to ensure sufficient enforcement for non-compliance by both employees and contractors.

I am sure that you are aware of the recent Washington Post article that detailed a DHS Inspector General report about the state of the Detention Center in Jessup. My Unitarian Universalist faith calls me to respect the inherent worth and dignity of every person and to promote and affirm justice, equity and compassion in human relations. Surely, these values are embraced by the citizens of Howard County and its government which have a long history of supporting and protecting human rights. By enacting this bill with amendments, Howard County will join surrounding counties and municipal jurisdictions in ensuring fair treatment for all our neighbors.

Thank you.

James Caldiero

4128 Lotus, Ellicott City, MD 21043, tel: 410-465-7452, email: jimcal87@gmail.com

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Sayers, Margery

From: Carol Tan <abgftan@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 14, 2020 4:47 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Oppose to change Howard county into sanctuary

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I oppose to change howard county into sanctuary.

Sent from my iPhone

Sayers, Margery

From: yan hao <haoyan6904@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 14, 2020 12:34 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Opposing to change Howard County into a sanctuary county

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Hi council members,

As a Howard County residence, I oppose to change Howard County into a sanctuary country.

<https://www.heritage.org/immigration/commentary/sanctuary-cities-thats-constitutional-hell-no>

Thanks,
Yan

Yan

Sayers, Margery

From: Robin Vestal <robinvestal@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, November 13, 2020 8:22 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: CB 63

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Dear County Council,

My thanks to Opal Jones for presenting a bill to help our immigrant brothers and sisters be safer in our county.

It's a moral imperative to safeguard hard working families and our neighbors from ICE and the threat of detention and deportation.

Let us please do all we can to keep vulnerable people in our community safe and secure and it helps our entire community when people feel like they can cooperate with police without fearing for their own or their families safety and well being.

I do wish we could also end the county's contract with ICE at the detention center especially after seeing the OIG's report on conditions there. As I testified at the hearing for CB 51 people deserve better than this and our country shouldn't be cooperating with this rogue agency.

I was excited several years ago when a similar bill was presented before the council but was vetoed by the last county executive. Please do the right thing this time around.

Thanks,

Robin Vestal
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(301) 675-9313

Sayers, Margery

From: Ethan Criss <Ethan.Criss@outlook.com>
Sent: Friday, November 13, 2020 4:43 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: some thoughts on CB63-20 from an Immigration Officer

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Dear Sir or Ma'am:

I was born and raised in Howard County, Maryland. Some years back, I originally testified against a bill similar to **CB63-20**. I thought that I would repeat, and expand, on my testimony from that time.

I still work for **US Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS)** as an **Immigration Services Officer**.

Having worked for USCIS for almost six years, I have adjudicated cases for Deferred Action, Childhood Arrivals, (Dream Act, both Initials and Renewals) as well as I-131 applications for travel abroad for DACA Recipients. Additional files I have adjudicated include I-485's, which encompass Refugee and Humanitarian, as well as I-918's, which grants citizen status to immigrants, both documented and undocumented, who are victims of violent crime and/or sexual assault.

As such, I am in a unique position to give you an insider's look on the workings of the US Immigration System concerning undocumented persons.

Simply put, unless someone has done something terrible, (violent crime or sexual assault) ICE and the US Immigration system will leave them alone. Just being in the United States illegally is not going to draw ICE or even local law enforcement, nor will a person so identified as being undocumented be automatically removed.

Allow me to follow by saying that I have absolutely no problem with illegal immigrants who come here looking for a better life. Having worked DACA initials, I can assure you that the majority of undocumented persons, children especially, think of the United States of their home and love this country. Many of the recipients of DACA did not even know they were born elsewhere until they either tried to join the military or attend college. It was only then that their parents told them of the circumstances surrounding their birth.

It is because of my work with these cases that I believe DACA to be an excellent program, for it has helped identify those undocumented persons who should stay verses those who need locked up.

Herein is my concern for **CB63-20**. In order to help locate and arrest those persons who are violent criminals, it is very necessary for federal, state, and even county law enforcement to work together and coordinate their efforts. Having worked both DACA initials and removals, my co-workers and I have helped identify **gang members, violent criminals**, and persons of interest in such crimes as **murder** and **sexualassault**. Upon identifying them, we refer the case to our Basic Crimes Unit, who forwards the information to federal and local law enforcement.

My concern is that a bill such as CB63-20 would frustrate the efforts of police to identify and arrest those who are a danger to everyone in their community, legal or otherwise. Also, having worked as an Immigration Officer for almost six years, I can assure you that **ICE does NOT concern themselves with those whose only offense is being in the country illegally**. If ICE is reaching out to state or local law enforcement for information regarding an individual, I can guarantee it is because that person has done something horrific.

It is because of this reason that **I urge you to not enact CB63-20**. It would be redundant and needless at best, as ICE and US Immigration does not concern themselves with those whose only offense is being here illegally, and it would be dangerous at worst, for it would cripple law enforcement in their efforts to identify dangerous felons and coordinate with ICE in arresting and deporting those who prey upon the weak and vulnerable.

For these reasons, I urge you to not adapt CB63-20.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration in reading this letter.

Respectfully yours,

Ethan A. Criss

P.S. I have included my work contact information as proof of my credentials.

IMMIGRATION SERVICES OFFICER

NSC/USCIS, DIVISION 7

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Email: Ethan.A.Criss@uscis.dhs.gov

Sayers, Margery

From: Richard Clinch <rpc21042@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 13, 2020 2:12 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Howard County Bill 63 - 2020 Rights of Non USA Citizens

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To: The Honorable Members of the Howard County Council

Subject: CB 63-20

From my viewpoint **County Bill 63-20** is the **renaming (The Liberty Act)** and restating of the 2017 **County Bill CB -9 (Sanctuary Bill)** that was passed by the Council and Vetoed by the County Executive in 2017. I opposed this legislation when it was introduced in 2017 and submitted an Email with my reasons to each of the County Council Members. To quickly summarize:

Personal Experience - I am a Mechanical Engineer who worked for:

Cerro de Pasco - Mining, smelting & refining of non ferrous metals in Peru and fabricator of non ferrous products tubing, wire etc. in the USA from (1960 to 64).

Westinghouse Electric Company (1964 to 90) - Global producer of Equipment for Electric Utilities. *Resided in Caracas, Venezuela from mid 1983 to early 1987.* During that period I had responsibility for operations in Venezuela, Columbia and Ecuador.

Asea Brown Bovari (1990 to 2003) - Swedish/Swiss Global Engineering and Manufacturing Company.

My Reasons for Opposing This Legislation

This legislation orders all Howard County Employees to "refrain from taking actions with respect to the immigration status of specified individuals; prohibiting certain discrimination based on immigration status." In addition "all residents of Howard County "shall have equal access to County benefits to County benefits, opportunities and services.

This "makes sense" for legal residents of Howard County. However the sections of this Bill - No Enforcement of Immigration laws - No Inquiries into Citizenship - seem to be in conflict with our Federal Government's Laws. They prohibit County Employees such as Police, Other First Responders, Emergency Room staff etc. from determining if a person is a legal resident of the United States. **Are we asking Howard County Employees to violate Federal Law?**

By "making our County's benefits and services available" to illegal persons that request these services in my opinion: **Reduces the quantity and quality of services and benefits available to legal residents. In addition they increase the cost of these services to the legal residents of Howard County, Maryland or the United States.** Not only is this is an affront to the law abiding residents of Howard County this is a violation of our nation's laws.

As an Elected Official your legal obligation is to the residents of Howard County, the State of Maryland and the United States of America. Our Borders must be respected and protected. The United States Government has the responsibility for - not Howard County - immigration legislation and policy. When a person enters our country illegally they have violated the laws of our nation and should be treated accordingly. These issues need to be addressed at the Federal Level not at the County or State Level

I strongly urge you to vote against Bill CB-63.

Respectfully,

Richard P. Clinch
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Sayers, Margery

From: Carol Boyer <lantern5@sprynet.com>
Sent: Friday, November 13, 2020 12:50 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Council Bill 63

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Please! Please! Please! Do not pass the 2020 Council Bill 63, the Liberty Act. Haven't we been through enough in Howard County and across the nation with divisive issues, divisive policies, and divisive rhetoric? And still worse, we're all dealing with the effects of a raging, rampant pandemic. No matter what our political leanings or affiliations, we all need a rest from hot topics and sharp controversies. We're exhausted, we're weary, and we're fatigued. Enough is enough. So please take a break and give the citizens of Howard County a break. Do not pass Council Bill 63 and please do not become so driven for self-promotion or attention that you stir up still more controversies. Just take a deep breath, a deep sigh, and do your best to calm the citizens of our county because calm is what is most needed and appreciated at this time.

Sincerely,
Carol Boyer
11317 Castlewood Ct.
Laurel, MD 20723

Sayers, Margery

From: cffarctic@verizon.net
Sent: Friday, November 13, 2020 10:39 AM
To: Jones, Opel; CouncilMail
Cc: Harris, Michael; Alston, Ashley; Smith, Brenda
Subject: RE: Councilmember Opel Jones --Council Bill 63-2020 Legislative Public Hearing

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This email shall service notice that I am strongly opposed the proposed legislation. All laws should be followed including our immigration laws. I find it very frustrating that our elected officials are always trying to find ways around our laws instead of enforcing the laws on the books or working to change the laws that they don't agree with. Doing things the right way aren't always the easiest. I find your proposed legislation insulting as a citizen of the United States and individual that was born and raised in Howard County. I am second generation of my family to be natural born citizens and my grandparents immigrated legally to this country and respected our laws!

Respectfully,

Charles Fleck

From: Jones, Opel <ojones@howardcountymd.gov>
Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2020 6:08 PM
To: Jones, Opel <ojones@howardcountymd.gov>
Cc: Harris, Michael <mrharris@howardcountymd.gov>; Alston, Ashley <aalston@howardcountymd.gov>; Smith, Brenda <bdsmith@howardcountymd.gov>
Subject: Councilmember Opel Jones --Council Bill 63-2020 Legislative Public Hearing

Good evening,

Thank you for your continued support of Council Bill 63-2020, renewing a legislative urgency to provide undocumented residents access to fair and equal services regardless of race, ethnicity, or immigration status.

On Monday, November 16th at 7:00 PM, the County Council will hold a Legislative Public Hearing. For more information, please click [here](#) (please note: you **must** sign up by **7:00 PM on Sunday, November 15th**). After successfully signing up, you will receive a Webex invitation from CouncilWebex@howardcountymd.gov on the day of the Legislative Public Hearing with instructions on how to participate.

Council Bill 63-2020 will help provide protections and provisions for the most vulnerable and underrepresented residents of our communities. Attached is my office's press release and a copy of Council Bill 63-2020.

I truly appreciate your voice in support of the vitality of our growing county throughout the legislative process!

Sincerely,

Opel Jones

Councilmember, District Two

Howard County Council

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ojones@howardcountymd.gov

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Sayers, Margery

From: Jim Reynolds <jb.reynolds32@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 13, 2020 10:17 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Against Council Bill 63-2020

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I do not support this bill. There is no justification to add more unnecessary legislation to an already overwhelmed list of legislation which doesn't directly support the county growth, success and priorities of it's tax paying citizens.

Jim Reynolds
Elkridge, MD

Sayers, Margery

From: no-reply@howardcountymd.gov
Sent: Friday, November 13, 2020 9:43 AM
To: guohui.wang@gmail.com
Subject: Council - Howard county resident say NO to sanctuary city/county. Reject CB-62-2020

First Name: Guohui

Last Name: Wang

Email: guohui.wang@gmail.com

Street Address: 6512 tipperary ct

City: Clarksville

Subject: Howard county resident say NO to sanctuary city/county. Reject CB-62-2020

Message: To whom this may concern, I am very sad to know that CB63-20(virtually identical to CB9 sanctuary bill from 2017) will be heard AGAIN on Nov. 16. There are many reasons that I would say NO to this bill, just name a few in the following : Sanctuary cities harbor criminals, creating a dangerous environment for US citizens. You can see many cases in current sanctuary cities/counties. Here are a few existing cases: a. September 8, 2019, seven undocumented immigrants emerge as sex assault suspects and pull Montgomery County into national debate; https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/public-safety/seven-undocumented-immigrants-emerge-as-sex-assault-suspects-and-pull-montgomery-county-into-national-debate/2019/09/08/674cd9f8-d0e0-11e9-b29b-a528dc82154a_story.html Further report and analysis on this case is in this link: Five Rape arrests underscore the hypocrisy of sanctuary policies: <https://cis.org/Arthur/Five-Rape-Arrests-Underscore-Hypocrisy-Sanctuary-Policies> b. Juan Francisco Lopez-Sanchez, an undocumented immigrant, had seven felony convictions in the United States and had been deported from the country five times. Yet, the city of San Francisco declined to detain him for Immigration and Customs Enforcement Officials (ICE) officials and released him into the community. In July 2015, Lopez-Sanchez was charged with murdering Katie Steinle in San Francisco. Christina Littlefield, "Sanctuary Cities: How Kathryn Steinle's Death Intensified the Immigration Debate," latimes.com, July 24, 2015 Lee Romney, Cindy Chang, and Joel Rubin, "Fatal Shooting of S.F. Woman Reveals Disconnect between ICE, Local Police; 5-Time Deportee Charged," latimes.com, July 6, 2015

2. Sanctuary policies defy federal laws to which state and local governments are bound: 8 U.S. Code § 1373 states that "a Federal, State, or local government entity or official may not prohibit, or in any way restrict, any government entity or official from sending to, or receiving from, the Immigration and Naturalization Service information regarding the citizenship or immigration status, lawful or unlawful, of any individual." [5] The Department of Justice requires that most recipients of federal grant money certify their compliance with all federal laws. [4][6] Sanctuary cities, by not asking about, recording, and submitting to the federal government the immigration statuses of residents, are violating federal law and the rules for getting federal grant money. 3. Sanctuary policies prevent local and state police officers from doing their jobs: Sanctuary policies prevent police from investigating, questioning, and arresting people who have broken federal immigration law. Many crimes, violent and otherwise, could be prevented if local law enforcement in sanctuary cities could arrest undocumented immigrants for their first crime on US soil—illegal entry into the country—and turn them over to federal law enforcement. [14] According to Heather Mac Donald, JD, Thomas W. Smith Fellow at the Manhattan Institute, many Salvadorian gang members living in Los Angeles entered the United States illegally, but because of sanctuary policies, LA police officers cannot arrest the undocumented immigrants for illegal entry. Instead, law enforcement has to wait for a second crime to be committed to get the criminals off the street. I strongly urge you to deny CB63-20, which will hurt Howard county badly in short term and long term. Thank you

PRESIDENT

Daniel Stein

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FEDERATION FOR AMERICAN IMMIGRATION REFORM

November 13, 2020

The Honorable Deb Jung
Howard County Council
George Howard Building
3430 Court House Dr.
Ellicott City, MD 21043

Dear Chairwoman Jung and other distinguished Members of the Council:

My name is Shari Rendall and I am the Director of State and Local Engagement for the Federation for American Immigration Reform (FAIR). Founded in 1979, FAIR advocates for immigration policies that reduce the harmful impact of illegal immigration on national security, public safety, the economy, jobs, education, healthcare and the environment. FAIR has about two million members and supporters nationwide including approximately 100 members in Howard County. I am submitting comments today on behalf of FAIR in opposition to Bill 63-2020, which would make Howard County a sanctuary jurisdiction.

If enacted, Bill 63-2020 would enact a dangerous policy that provides a safe-haven, or "sanctuary," in which illegal aliens can work and live without fear of removal by federal immigration authorities. It expresses that local officials should have no involvement in immigration enforcement matters. In practical terms, this bill would not only forbid local law enforcement officers from cooperating with federal agents in enforcing immigration laws, but more importantly, would prevent them from alerting U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) if they become aware of the fact that a suspected criminal alien in custody might also be in this country illegally and thus removable by law. Instead of handing these convicted criminals over to ICE for removal, they are simply released back onto our streets, many to recommit more crimes.

Sanctuary jurisdictions like those that exist in Montgomery and Prince George's counties should serve as a warning to Howard County. These sanctuary counties regularly release criminal aliens that pose a clear public safety threat back into their communities. In May 2017, Montgomery County released 19 year-old Salvadoran national Mario Granado-Alvarado after he posted bail, even though ICE requested he be held. Granado-Alvarado was arrested for vehicular theft and for bringing an assault-style rifle onto his high school parking lot. He had been arrested previously also on auto theft charges.



In Prince George's County, 14 year-old Ariana Funes-Diaz may have been alive today if law enforcement had honored an ICE detainer. Two illegal alien MS-13 gang members, Josue Rafael Fuentes-Ponce and Joel Ernesto Escobar, had been jailed on attempted murder charges the year before Ariana was killed. Instead of being removed from the country, they were released due to the county's sanctuary policies which resulted in the Ariana's death.

These are clear and unambiguous violations of federal law. Local officials cooperate with the federal law enforcement in every aspect of the law, such as gun control and drug laws, and immigration should not be an exception.

Moreover, sanctuary policies rely on the false premise that individuals in the country unlawfully are "law-abiding," but simply lack "papers" or "documentation." However, the average adult illegal alien routinely commits multiple crimes just to conceal their presence in the United States and work without authorization. In 2013, the Social Security Administration's Office of the Chief Actuary estimated that more than 40 percent of all illegal aliens working in the United States were using fake or stolen Social Security Numbers. Elsewhere, the office has put the figure as high as 75 percent.¹ Furthermore, many falsify I-9 forms under penalty of perjury. It is improper for Howard County to enable these federal crimes.

While the cost of illegal immigration to public safety is incalculable, the fiscal cost of illegal immigration also bears a heavy price tag. Annually, U.S. taxpayers pay roughly \$116 billion in costs associated with illegal immigration. A significant majority of this price tag, \$88.9 billion, is absorbed by state and local governments.²

In Maryland, taxpayers spend an estimated \$2.4 billion each year for illegal aliens and their U.S.-born children.³ Roughly \$137 million of those expenditures are for criminal justice alone. Other costs come in the form of educational, healthcare, welfare and law enforcement expenditures to illegal aliens and their families.

Sanctuary policies contribute significantly to these costs by telling individuals that despite violating federal laws, law enforcement and other government officials will ignore them. Just because the regulation of immigration is a federal issue, does not mean that local law enforcement agencies must overlook immigration violations that harm their communities.

¹ The Washington Times, "When Illegals Use Piffler Social Security Numbers, May 23, 2018; See also, The New York Times, Illegal Aliens Are Bolstering Social Security with Billions, April 5, 2005

² Federation for American Immigration Reform, "The Fiscal Burden of Illegal Immigration," 2017.

³ Ibid.

To ensure the safety of our communities, local law enforcement should be encouraged—not discouraged—from cooperating with federal immigration authorities.

For the aforementioned reasons, FAIR respectfully asks the Howard County Council to reject Bill 63-2020.

I thank you for the opportunity to provide our input. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me, if I may be of assistance. I may be reached by email at srendall@fairus.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Shari Rendall". The script is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of each word being capitalized and prominent.

Shari Rendall

Sayers, Margery

From: Shari Rendall <rendall@fairus.org>
Sent: Friday, November 13, 2020 9:06 AM
To: Shari Rendall
Subject: Please Oppose Bill 63-2020

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Dear Council Member,
Please find attached FAIR's comments opposing efforts to make Howard County a sanctuary jurisdiction (Bill 63-2020).
Sincerely,
Shari



Shari Rendall
Director of State and Local Engagement
25 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Ste.330
Washington, DC 20001

Sayers, Margery

From: skipdariamc <skipdariamc@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2020 4:46 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Sanctuary County for Howard

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VOTE NO.

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

Sayers, Margery

From: no-reply@howardcountymd.gov
Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2020 2:56 PM
To: exaa2011@gmail.com
Subject: Council - CB63

First Name: Beth

Last Name: Daniel

Email: exaa2011@gmail.com

Street Address: 3247 OLD FENCE CT

City: ELLICOTT CITY

Subject: CB63

Message: (1) Please provide a detailed explanation of how Howard County (whether it be the government and/or its citizens) will benefit from this bill's passage. (2) Does this bill have anything to do with the passage of the "Question C" Charter Amendment? Thank you!

Sayers, Margery

From: Tao Tao <yzbeckytao@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2020 12:56 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: against changing Howard County into a sancturay

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Hi

I'd like to share one passage with you:

<https://www.heritage.org/immigration/commentary/sanctuary-cities-thats-constitutional-hell-no>

cheers,

Rebecca

Sayers, Margery

From: skipdariamc <skipdariamc@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 10, 2020 5:58 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Sanctuary County - NO

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Both of us disagree with creating a sanctuary county in Howard County. NO No No.! Thought we resolved this once before.

Charles and Daria McGehee
4140 Sharp Rd.
Glenelg, MD. 21737-9525

410 442-1853
skipdariamc@aol.com

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

Sayers, Margery

From: KIMBOL ZHANG <kimbol.zhang@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2020 2:28 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Strong Against CB63-2020

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Dear Council Members.

I'm frustrated with the CB63-2020 proposed by Dr. Opel Jones recently.

We pay our tax to support the benefit and welfare of the county. we don't want to see our hard earned money wasted on something that is against our welfare and well being of our life in this society.

I understand each of you have your own political goals for bringing in illegal immigrants, either for cheaper business cost or whatever, but DO NOT do this at the expense of the county citizens who voted you up to the seat you are now.

This is ugly.

Kimbol

Sayers, Margery

From: bbstar <bbstar@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2020 1:15 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: No CB-63

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Dear Council members,

I live in D2 and I want to ask Opel Jones:

Why do you put illegal aliens ABOVE legal residents?

Are you serving illegal aliens rather than legal residents?

Do you know your job as a council member is to protect county residents' safety & enhance their well-being? Why are you doing the OPPOSITE?

Why do you expose legal residents under FEAR & danger since they are likely to be harmed by illegal alien criminals/gangsters?

Do you know that all legal immigrants have gone thru years of VETTING process - criminal background check, finger print, etc. but illegal aliens have NONE? And do you know how dangerous that is without vetting?

Do you know all sanctuary cities have suffered higher drug/rape/murder crimes? It's a fact! Don't deny it! You need to educate yourself!

If you don't know the answers and don't know your job, you need to drop CB63!

Please stop HURTING our county legal residents!

County residents should always be FIRST, not illegal aliens!

vote "NO" on CB9.

Thank you.
Tiffany M

Dear County Council Member:

November 19, 2020

I urge you to support CB63-2020. Our county and entire country are in a time of crisis. Many residents need help for their well-being: financial, health, and basic needs. We should remove as many barriers to life-saving help as possible and make our neighbors feel and be more safe. They should not have the worry in their mind of if I request help will I be harassed, deported, etc. No person is illegal. It is inhumane to be interning or deporting people when that most likely is a death sentence. This bill would help maintain confidentiality and reduce discrimination. It will save and improve lives. Please support CB63-2020.

Thank you,
J. Kim Birnbaum

Sayers, Margery

From: sunsyacd@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2020 8:53 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: No cb 63

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Dear Council Members,

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The moral justification is presumably "No Human is Illegal". This is an absurd statement – illegality is never associated with the nature a human being, but associated with his or her conduct. By entering this country in violation with federal immigration laws, foreign immigrants, for whatever the reasons, broke the law and became "illegal". The fact that our great country is a country of immigrants does not justify illegal immigration. Immigrants are a source of strength to our great country, but there is no high moral ground by encouraging illegal immigration.

Secondly, immigration is not a shared responsibility between the federal government and local government, but strictly a responsibility of the federal government and an area to which federal laws apply. The obstruction of federal law enforcement by states and cities creates anarchy in the governance of a country. If a local government disagrees with the federal government or the interpretation of a federal law, it should go through an orderly process to challenge the federal government, but refusing to comply with federal government or law is by itself detrimental to the foundation of this country. For these who are championing for democracy, remember law and order are always the foundation of any democracy.

I hope the county council has the courage and wisdom to vote down CB63-2020. Howard County votes are watching you!

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

Sayers, Margery

From: caiguimei@gmail.com
Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2020 8:12 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: No CB-63

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Sincerely,

Guimei Cai

Sayers, Margery

From: Cindy Liou <CLiou@supportkind.org>
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 8:37 PM
To: CouncilMail
Cc: Elisabeth Lopez
Subject: Public Comment Re: Howard County Liberty Act CB No. 63-2020
Attachments: KIND Support of Howard County Liberty Act Public Comment--11.16.20.pdf

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Hello,

Kids in Need of Defense (KIND) would like to provide the following comment for the Howard County Liberty Act, CB No. 63-2020. I am unable to upload online. Please confirm with me your receipt of this comment or there is another procedure that we should follow.

Thank you.

Best regards,

Cindy C. Liou, Esq.

State Policy Director

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Pronouns: she/her/hers



Please note that I am working remotely.

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November 16, 2020

Submitted electronically
Howard County Council

Re: Support of Howard County Liberty Act, Council Bill No. 63-2020

Dear Howard County Council,

Kids in Need of Defense (KIND) submits the following to the Howard County Council regarding the importance of creating county-wide laws like the Liberty Act, Bill No. 63-2020, that will provide all Howard County residents access to fair and equal services regardless of race, ethnicity, or immigration status. Howard County is a place dedicated to principles of diversity and inclusion for its more than 64,000 foreign-born residents, and believes in supporting all children to reach their full potential.

Established in 2008, Kids in Need of Defense (KIND) is a nonprofit organization with ten national field offices dedicated to the protection of unaccompanied children (UC), who arrive as children to the U.S. alone without a parent or legal guardian. Most of these children have fled poverty and violence, and have suffered from extreme forms of trauma in their home country, in transit, at the border, or sometimes after release from federal custody to the community. KIND protects UC by providing legal representation in immigration court, social services coordination, and works to advocate for laws and policies to protect unaccompanied children. Since 2008, KIND's Baltimore office has been serving UC released to, residing, and attending school in Maryland and Howard County. From federal FY15-FY20, 15,841 UC were released to Maryland. To date, Maryland places sixth among all states receiving the most released UC.

The Liberty Act revises local ordinances to prohibit all County employees from inquiring about the status of an individual's citizenship, protect the confidentiality of a person's immigration status, and forbid discrimination based on immigration status. KIND supports the construction, passage and implementation of the Liberty Act in all manners that will result in the protection of immigrant children and their families and ensure fair access to benefits and services that they are entitled to.

From KIND's experience serving UC for over a decade in multiple jurisdictions, policies and legislation that reduce barriers for immigrant children and their families to access services and benefits help the community thrive. These policies are also beneficial for public safety reasons and help immigrant children and their families feel safe to step forward to receive help when suffering from abuse and violence. Additionally, many UC are eligible for or have obtained legal remedies designed to protect survivors of abuse and violence like asylum, Special Immigrant Juvenile Status (SIJS), U visas, and T visas—all which entitle eligibility for certain benefits. However, there are many reports of those who are not accessing these benefits due to general fear of authorities, fueled by chilling effects from federal public charge rules. Fear of accessing services has been especially damaging during the pandemic, which has exacerbated existing vulnerabilities for UC. Policies like the Liberty Act that can encourage children to access local, state, and federal emergency services and benefits is more important now than ever.

KIND acknowledges that there are times when county employees like child welfare professionals may access information regarding a child's immigration status or place of birth in the pursuit of their

professional duties to assist and protect this child. KIND has generally received referrals and worked with county-level child welfare professionals in these cases to assist the children with legal remedies that they may be eligible, such as SIJS, U visas, and T visas. It is important that the Liberty Act be written, construed, and implemented in a manner that maximizes protection of both children in need of services, as well as their family members simultaneously. KIND recommends amending the Liberty Act with clarifying language. Some suggestions include but are not limited to amendment language such as:

- Nothing in this Act shall be construed as to prohibit any county employee, upon request of the noncitizen, from aiding a noncitizen to be provided referrals for assistance or obtain benefits and services, including immigration and child welfare-related services, pursuant to local, state, and federal laws.
- When an inquiry, request or investigation into nationality, immigration status or citizenship, including place of birth, is required to be or for any reason is made, the Howard County agent or county employee shall not attempt to coerce a response. All persons to whom the inquiries are made shall be explicitly informed of their right to decline to respond, free from fear or threat of retaliation.
- Agents of Howard County and county employees are prohibited from verbally abusing or coercing persons or threatening to take immigration-related enforcement action against them, such as reporting them or their family members to ICE or threatening to take other immigration-related action against them or their family members.
- All applications, questionnaires and interview forms used in relation to the provision of county benefits, opportunities or services shall be reviewed by each agency, and any question requiring disclosure of information related to citizenship or immigration status, unless required by state or federal law, or international treaty, shall be, in the agency's best judgment, either deleted in its entirety or revised such that the disclosure of the information is no longer required. Agencies that have a need for the collection of demographic data related to immigration status for performance measurement shall identify mechanisms that will allow for the separation of the demographic information from personally identifying information.

For implementation purposes, KIND also recommends creating an enforcement mechanism to allow for review of compliance with all Howard County departments, agencies, commissions, and employees with the mandates of this ordinance, and to review questions of noncompliance or when a complaint alleging compliance has been lodged.

With the suggested amendments to strengthen and clarify the protection of immigrant children and their need to access services and benefits in mind, KIND respectfully requests the Howard County Council to approve of the Liberty Act and any inclusive policies and legislation that support the well-being of unaccompanied children and their families.

Sincerely,

/s/

Cindy Liou, State Policy Director, KIND, cliou@supportkind.org

Elisabeth Lopez, Managing Attorney – Baltimore, KIND, elopez@supportkind.org

Sayers, Margery

From: Julia Ju <julia9986@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 8:37 PM
To: Ball, Calvin; CouncilMail
Subject: Against CB-63

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Dear County Executive And Council Members,

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> My name is Julia Ju and I am a citizen living in Howard County for 18 years! I strongly against CB-63 which intends to turn Howard County into a sanctuary county.
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> If any of you really want to push for it, please each take 10 illegal immigrants into your home and pilot the CB-63 using your own money and take your own risk instead of using our tax payers money and put all children and residents in the entire county at risk! If, only if, you, your children, and your family highly recommend the pilot after one year, you can present your experience as evidence to support this bill.
>
> Until then, withdraw CB-63 and vote Against it!
>
> Thank you!
>
> Julia Ju
>
> Sent from my iPhone

Sayers, Margery

From: Julia Ju <julia9986@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 8:25 PM
To: CouncilMail; Ball, Calvin B
Subject: Against CB-63

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Thank you!

Julia Ju

Sent from my iPhone

Leslie Salgado Testimony in support of CB63-2020

I am Leslie Salgado-Tamayo. I live in District Three in Columbia, MD. I have lived in Columbia, MD since 1972. I am an immigrant and I am the Chair of Friends of Latin America. **I am here to urge you to vote for CB63-2020** - the "Liberty Act" - because it will prohibit all County employees from inquiring about the status of an individual's citizenship and it forbids discrimination against immigrants.

We want ALL people in our community to be treated with respect and to live without fear of being criminalized and denied services. I know hard working people in my community who because of their immigration status, are afraid to seek assistance from the Police or from any other government agency. I also know of families whose children have been afraid to go to school after one of their relatives was detained for being undocumented.

This Bill is particularly important when we live in a national environment where white supremacy and hate for what they consider different is prevalent. I hope this Bill will send a clear message that xenophobia, Islamophobia and the criminalization of black and brown people are unacceptable and furthermore are a violation of human rights laws.

Finally, I highly recommend that when this Bill becomes law, all employees and contractors of Howard County are provided training about this law. In addition, the County needs to inform the public and in particular the immigrant communities about this law.

Please vote in favor of CB63-2020.

Sayers, Margery

From: alilly6@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 3:40 PM
To: CouncilMail; Ball, Calvin; Jones, Opel; OHR
Subject: WHEN YOU ALLOW ILLEGAL ALIENS IN OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS YOU ARE ALLOWING PEOPLE WHOSE AGES AND BACKGROUNDS CANNOT BE VERIFIED TO GO TO SCHOOL WITH OUR CHILDREN! WE WILL NOT ALLOW FOREIGN INVADERS TO IMPEDE ON THE LAND RIGHTS OF ADOS ABORIGINAL-AMERICANS! C...

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WE WILL NOT ALLOW FOREIGN INVADERS TO IMPEDE ON THE LAND RIGHTS OF ADOS ABORIGINAL-AMERICANS! CAUCASIAN COLONISTS HAVE OPENED THE DOORS OF AMERICA TO OTHER FOREIGN COLONISTS FROM ALL AROUND THE WORLD. THE COLONIZATION OF AMERICA ENDS NOW!

WHEN YOU ALLOW ILLEGAL ALIENS IN OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS YOU ARE ALLOWING PEOPLE WHOSE AGES AND BACKGROUNDS CANNOT BE VERIFIED TO GO TO SCHOOL WITH OUR CHILDREN!

YOU ARE VERY AUDACIOUS NAMING CB63 THE "LIBERTY ACT" AND CREATING AN INITIATIVE TO EASE LEGAL CONSEQUENCES ON ILLEGAL ALIENS WHILE SIMULTANEOUSLY YOU HAVE LITERALLY EXPONENTIALLY MORE ADOS INCARCERATED IN THIS SAME EXACT COUNTY! WHY HAVEN'T YOU CREATED LEGISLATION FOR THE INCARCERATED ADOS? HOW CAN YOU IN GOOD CONSCIOUSNESS ALLOCATE RESOURCES, HOUSING, AND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES TO ILLEGAL ALIENS WHILE SIMULTANEOUSLY THERE ARE MASSES OF UNEMPLOYED AND HOMELESS ADOS ABORIGINAL-AMERICANS IN THIS VERY COUNTY?! WHICH FOREIGN NATION HAS DACA RIGHTS FOR AMERICAN DESCENDANTS OF SLAVERY WHO ILLEGALLY TRESPASS IN THEIR COUNTRY? DO ADOS NOT DESERVE RECIPROCITY? ADOS TAX DOLLARS LITERALLY SPONSOR DACA AND FOREIGN AID TO COUNTLESS NATIONS BUT WHAT HAVE THE POPULATIONS OF THESE NATIONS RECIPROCATED BACK TO ADOS IN RETURN?- NOTHING! ADOS FOUGHT FOR THE 1965 IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION ACT WHICH GAVE MILLIONS OF IMMIGRANTS CITIZENSHIP- AND THOSE SAME EXACT IMMIGRANT GROUPS ECONOMICALLY EXPLOIT ADOS COMMUNITIES NATIONWIDE. THERE IS NO DIFFERENCE BETWEEN GENTRIFICATION AND FLOODING ADOS COMMUNITIES WITH ILLEGAL ALIENS- EITHER WAY ADOS PEOPLE GET DISPLACED AND BARRED FROM EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES THAT WILL BE GIVEN TO ALIENS. IF WE GO TO THEIR COUNTRIES ILLEGALLY THEY WILL CAGE US, EXTORT US, AND DEPORT US TOO. YOU STILL USE THE COLONIAL TITLE "HOWARD COUNTY" TO REFER TO US BUT THIS IS HARRIET TUBMAN COUNTY AND IF YOU KNEW THE HISTORY OF THIS LAND YOU WOULD KNOW THAT THIS COUNTY IS A CONSOLIDATION OF FORMER SLAVE PLANTATIONS! OUR COMMUNITIES STILL ARE LABELLED BY THE NAMES OF FORMER SLAVE PLANTATIONS SUCH AS "LONG REACH", "OAKLAND MANOR", "HARPER'S FARM", ETC. YOU CANNOT COME HERE TO A FORMER SLAVE PLANTATION AND DISMISS THE UNCOMPENSATED LABOR OF ADOS PEOPLE! YOU DEFINITELY WILL NOT ALLOCATE ADOS TAX DOLLARS TO BE GIVEN TO FOREIGN COLONISTS WHO IMPEDE ON THE COHESION AND AUTONOMY OF ABORIGINAL-AMERICAN PEOPLE THE SAME WAY CAUCASIANS DO. THESE SAME EXACT FOREIGN COLONISTS JOIN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND ASSIST CAUCASIANS IN THE MASS INCARCERATION OF ADOS PEOPLE. YOU CANNOT ACCUSE ME OF BEING RACIST FOR ACKNOWLEDGING THE TRUTH! IN THESE FOREIGN COUNTRIES, THEIR INDIGENOUS POPULATIONS COME FIRST. ADOS COME FIRST ON THE FORMER AMERICAN SLAVE PLANTATIONS. ABORIGINAL-AMERICANS COME FIRST IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. ADOS ARE BY DEFINITION OF ABORIGINAL-AMERICAN AND AFRICAN DESCENT. THESE SAME EXACT IMMIGRANT GROUPS ARE NOT FIGHTING TO GET THE ADOS WHO ARE INCARCERATED IN THEIR COUNTRIES RELEASED! OPEL JONES, CALVIN BALL, USE YOUR TIME TO CREATE A "LIBERTY ACT" THAT WILL RELEASE THE MASSES OF ADOS FROM HOWARD COUNTY DETENTION FACILITIES. CREATE A "LIBERTY ACT" THAT WILL SPECIFICALLY RESTORE THE

AUTONOMY OF ADOS PEOPLE THAT WE WERE STRIPPED OF DURING THE CONTINUOUS COLONIZATION OF OUR ANCESTRAL LANDS IN AMERICA THAT STILL PERSISTS TO THIS DAY!

ADOS HARRIET TUBMAN COUNTY RESIDENT

(MY NAME AND ACTIVISM IS PUBLIC RECORD)

Sayers, Margery

From: Sarah Bi <zhou_sarah@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 3:35 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Oppose CB63-2020

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Dear Council members,

I am a resident of Howard County and have been residing in the county since 2011. I am writing to strongly OPPOSE the sanctuary bill CB63-2020.

Please, take a look at the case in Montgomery county where two illegal aliens raped a teen girl on a public high school campus. The two criminals were undocumented aliens, and one of them is over 18. How many potential undocumented criminals are out there and how can we protect our innocent citizens when these people are undocumented and it will be extremely hard to trace them and keep them in control???? The local MUST work with Federal level in full capacity to track any undocumented aliens, and to ensure the safety of every citizens in the county.

What is the true motivation behind this bill???? Is it partly because it will bring many profits or funding for companies/organizations/government units which provide services / housing etc. to illegal aliens? Or is this bill a part of a particular political agenda? What is the responsibility of the local officials? Should the local officials care more about the people in the county other than political agenda?

I urge you to please put the safety and well-being of this county and its residents FIRST and vote NO to CB63-2020!

Best,
Sarah Bi
Clarksville, MD

Sent from my iPad

Sayers, Margery

From: alilly6@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 3:33 PM
To: Ball, Calvin; Jones, Opel; CouncilMail; Walsh, Elizabeth; Jung, Deb; Rigby, Christiana; Yungmann, David
Subject: WHEN YOU ALLOW ILLEGAL ALIENS IN OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS YOU ARE ALLOWING PEOPLE WHOSE AGES AND BACKGROUNDS CANNOT BE VERIFIED TO GO TO SCHOOL WITH OUR CHILDREN! WE WILL NOT ALLOW FOREIGN INVADERS TO IMPEDE ON THE LAND RIGHTS OF ADOS ABORIGINAL-AMERICANS! C...

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ADOS HARRIET TUBMAN COUNTY RESIDENT

(MY NAME AND ACTIVISM IS PUBLIC RECORD)

Sayers, Margery

From: Patricia Williams <pwilliamsmd@verizon.net>
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 2:06 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: CB-63

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Dear Council Members,

I am totally against anything you suggest to make our county and country less safe and less Constitutional. By protecting illegall immigrants at all is the ultimate slap in the face to all welcome immigrants who chose the country and county as home LEGALY. There is absolutely no justification for preventing authorities from doing their jobs, especially when crimes are committed by illegals. Illegals are not welcome here in any capacity as far as true patriots are concerned because they have already disrespected us just by being here. I could go on for months complaining but I know the Left hates the rules of the land and are dead set on letting crime and lawlessness reign. I doubt you will take this into consideration because the council is lopsided once again.

Thanks for trying to pass CB-23 without much transparency to the public. I am angry and unhappy watching the continual demise of the county and the country in 2021.

Pat Williams
Valleymede

Sayers, Margery

From: no-reply@howardcountymd.gov
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 2:04 PM
To: hong_0072004@yahoo.com
Subject: Council - Please Vote "No" to CB63-2020

First Name: Hong
Last Name: Zheng
Email: hong_0072004@yahoo.com
Street Address: 4128 TIBER FALLS DR
City: Ellicott City
Subject: Please Vote "No" to CB63-2020

Message:

Dear Council members, I have lived in Howard County for 20 years. I felt strongly to protect the integrity of this County against the sanctuary bill CB63-2020. I came to the United States through legal immigration process and became a naturalized US citizen more than 25 years ago. I am all for sensible immigration laws, and we must make a clear distinction between legal immigration and illegal immigration. Dear Council members, you would not encourage break-ins or play favoritism for persons who cut in the line, do you? If so, you would NOT believe in something is designed to work against the existing immigration laws. If you truly believe our immigration laws were flawed, then you should propose a reform in the immigration laws instead of attempting to make rules and regulations at the local level in contrary to the federal laws. By supporting CB63-2020, you would betray our trust and severely undermine the safety and integrity of Howard County. The people who were against CB63 were truly thinking for the wellbeing of the Howard County residents. Whereas the people who were for CB63 were making false narratives as if the immigration laws were outrageously wrong. Again, if the immigration laws were outrageously wrong, they should have fought for changing those laws instead of misusing our tax money to fund their own political agenda! I am with many hardworking Howard County residents. Together we strongly oppose the CB63-2020. On behalf of my friends, neighbors, and colleagues, I respectfully urge you to stand up for the people and fight against this self-serving, insidious, morally corrupt County Bill 63-2020. Thank you! Sincerely yours, Hong Zheng

Sayers, Margery

From: Jiayu Wen <jwen1@jhmi.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 1:33 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: please vote NO to CB63

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Dear County Council members,

My name is Jiayu Wen, a resident in Howard County for more than 15 years.

I moved to Howard county , because my biggest concern is public safety. And the Council members should not put Howard County police officer, residence personal life and properties under danger and threat by criminals.

Dear council members, Please **vote NO to CB63**.

Thanks and have a nice day.

Jiayu

Sayers, Margery

From: Rong Guo <guorong01@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 1:19 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: No CB-63!

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Dear Council Members:

As a resident lived in Howard County for 18 years (from district 3, to 4, then to 5). I am saddened yet not surprised to see the come back of the sanctuary bill CB63. Bills carried same content failed in the past facing strong opposition from residents. The come back of this bill in the middle of COVID distress is certainly very tactical move.

My biggest concern of this bill is public safety and resource allocation. As a resident, we do need law and order, no matter how politically incorrect it may sound. Our schools already has budget deficit. We don't have unlimited resources. If you are a housekeeper for our county as a big family, you need to set your priority.

We entrusted you to be a council member for our county, please vote down bill CB63.

Yours sincerely,

Rong Guo

Howard County Resident

Sayers, Margery

From: Amy Li <ap_pl_ple@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 1:14 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Please vote down bill CB63

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Dear Council Members:

As a resident lived in Howard County for more than 10 years, I am saddened yet not surprised to see the come back of the sanctuary bill CB63. Bills carried same content failed in the past facing strong opposition from residents. The come back of this bill in the middle of COVID distress is certainly very tactical move.

My biggest concern of this bill is public safety and resource allocation. As a resident, we do need law and order, no matter how politically incorrect it may sound. Our schools already has budget deficit. We don't have unlimited resources. If you are a housekeeper for our county as a big family, you need to set your priority. Or, we will vote you down.

We entrusted you to be a council member for our county, please vote down bill CB63.

Yours sincerely,
Weihong Li

Sent from my iPhone

Sayers, Margery

From: Susie Jiang <hjiang71@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 12:59 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Please again CB-63

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Dear council members,

I am a Howard County resident and I have lived here for 19 years. Like all hard-working middle class, my family contribute a lot of income tax to support our County's operation. Here I am strongly against CB-63 because I have many fears and concerns.

My first concern is that the safety of our community will be compromised if this bill passes. this bill is a short term, temporary, and potentially dangerous solution to the much bigger issue of citizenship rather than trying to make a political move to solve this issue in some way. Under sanctuary policies, illegal immigrants can obtain all the benefits living in Howard County regardless of their citizenship. So they don't have to strive to apply for citizenship and go through all the legal steps including criminal background check, medical exam, citizenship test, etc. Lack of criminal background check is very risky. As everybody knows, background check is crucial to maintain a safe and welcoming community. Therefore, I am afraid if this bill passes, the crime rate could increase. The bill could jeopardize the safety for majority of our county's legal resident and citizens.

I am also concerned that our county will run into more fiscal trouble if the bill is passed; our schools are already running out of budget in some areas. If we continue to increase expenditure without proper management, the quality of public school education we have worked so hard to build will be no more.

In addition, another concern is that our community will become unstable. Incoming illegal immigrants will definitely increase in our county as a result of this bill. This situation will add huge financial and economic burden. It may cause depreciation in housing values and degradation of public service. On the whole, I fear this sanctuary status will make our beautiful county become unattractive for law-abiding hardworking young people when they move into our community.

Please consider all of my realistic fears and concerns. We are all very vulnerable and do not want to become victims of CB-63. Please put the citizens and children of Howard County first and say NO to CB-63

Thank you,

Hui Jiang

Sayers, Margery

From: Sun <sunnysunx@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 12:28 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Objection to CB 63

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Dear Council Members,

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Secondly, immigration is not a shared responsibility between the federal government and local government, but strictly a responsibility of the federal government and an area to which federal laws apply. The obstruction of federal law enforcement by states and cities creates anarchy in the governance of a country. If a local government disagrees with the federal government or the interpretation of a federal law, it should go through an orderly process to challenge the federal government, but refusing to comply with federal government or law is by itself detrimental to the foundation of this country. For these who are championing for democracy, remember law and order are always the foundation of any democracy.

I hope the county council has the courage and wisdom to vote down CB63-2020. Howard County voters are closely watching you and hope you make the right decision for us!

Yan

Sayers, Margery

From: CM <coco_maple@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 11:37 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: [SUSPECTED SPAM] Stop Illegal Immigration "Sanctuary" Policy in Howard County

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Dear Council members,

If you truly believe our immigration laws were flawed, then you should propose a reform in the immigration laws instead of attempting to make rules and regulations at the local level in contrary to the federal laws. By supporting CB63-2020, you would betray our trust and severely undermine the safety and integrity of Howard County.

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Sincerely yours,
Yinfen Lorr

<https://www.heritage.org/immigration/commentary/sanctuary-cities-thats-constitutional-hell-no>

Sayers, Margery

From: jing tian <jtian@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 12:05 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Sanctuary bill

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Sent from my iPhone

Sayers, Margery

From: Bo (Julie) Xie <bxie2005@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 11:59 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: No CB-63

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Thanks,

Bo

A local resident who has lived in HC for over 15 years

Sayers, Margery

From: wei <wwmayflower@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 11:52 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Against CB63

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Dear County Council members,

I am writing this email to let you know I am STRONGLY AGAINST this bill. You may have already heard many many reasons why people are opposed to this bill. I don't want to waste your precious time. I have been talking to my neighbors a lot and from what I know none of them like it. So please vote No to CB63.

Thanks,

Wei Wei

Howard County Resident

Sayers, Margery

From: Lawence <allforlinux@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 10:41 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: No CB-63

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Cheng

Sayers, Margery

From: Chris Kadoorie <ckhedouri@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 10:37 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: NO to CB63-2020

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Dear Council Members,

No to CB63-2020!

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Sincerely,
Chris Kadoorie
Howard County Resident

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Sayers, Margery

From: Liming Cai <limingcai@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 10:31 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Vote NO on CB63!

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Dear Council members,

My name is Liming Cai, a PhD economist in CMS and have been living in Howard County since 2010. I came to the United States many years ago through legal immigration process and became a naturalized citizen more than 15 years ago. I feel very strongly to protect the integrity of this County against the sanctuary bill CB63-2020.

I am astounded by CB63-2020 which is proposed by Mr. Opel Jones to make Howard County a sanctuary county. In 2017, in response to the widespread opposition from Howard County communities which caught national media attention, a similar sanctuary bill was vetoed by then Chief Executive and was finally abandoned by the county council. And now, Mr. Jones wants to rewrite history and challenge the will of the people to open Howard County to illegal immigrants.

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During the year of pandemic, when Howard County is likely facing a steep budget shortfall, do you really want to invite illegal immigrants into our county and allow them to share precious tax dollars with legal residents, who are already suffering from loss of job and income as well as potential reduction in public services in the future? Not to mention are the likely spike in minor as well as serious crime they will bring, just like what our neighbor Montgomery County has experienced. Whoever supported CB63 will sure be voted out of the council in next reelection!

I hope the county council has the courage and wisdom to vote down CB63-2020. Howard County voters are watching you!

Sincerely yours,
Liming Cai

Sayers, Margery

From: hailan zhou <hzhou1022@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 10:31 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Sanctuary bill CB63

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Dear County Council members,

My name is Hailan Zhou, a proud, legal immigrant, a resident in Howard County for more than 6 years, and this is the third time here to oppose the Sanctuary bill in Howard County. CB63 will label our county as a Sanctuary County and hence a destination of choice for illegals to come, impacting our public safety.

Yes, my biggest concern is public safety. Now those politicians want to remove SROs from our public schools, cancel county contract of detention center with ICE, even don't allow our local police officers working cooperatively with ICE, but welcome those illegal aliens to our county. It's not acceptable. Mr. Opel Jones, and others who support CB63, What do you really want to do to our county? If you welcome those illegal aliens, you are breaking our immigration laws, you are betraying your own county citizens by putting illegal aliens FIRST and county citizens LAST! This is called treason! I heard so many tragedies happened in Montgomery County. You will be fully responsible for all lives lost in those angel families, you should KNEEL before them.

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Sanctuary county, providing a "safe haven" for illegal aliens, is unfair to legal immigrants who respect our nation's laws.

Again, Council members should not put Howard County residence personal life and properties under danger and threat by harboring illegal alien criminals.

If Any of our county residents become a victim like one of the angel families, you should feel Guilty and ashamed because you pass this terrible bill.

So dear councilmen and councilwomen, please vote NO to CB63.

Thanks,

Hailan Zhou

Howard County Resident

Sent from my iPhone

William Garcia Trejo Public Testimony on November 16, 2020 in Howard County Public Work Session

Good Evening Councilmembers, my name is William Garica Trejo. I was grateful to have spoken with Councilmember Doctor Jones and I am happy that he is introducing, CB-63 to prevent what happened to me from happening to other people in Howard County.

On Sunday, September 27, of this year, 2020, the Howard County Police stopped me for speaking on my cellphone while driving. They arrested and took me to the Howard County jail as a result of having not shown up for a court date in Montgomery County for a traffic violation.

The next day, September 28, the judge set my bail at \$400 for me to be set free. After the bail hearing, a Howard County Detention Center guard told me that I would have to wait for 48 hours at the detention center to give ICE a chance to pick me up. My mom paid the bail that same afternoon, but they would not let me leave. I was in the jail all night after I had paid my bail. I had no arrest record at all with ICE.

The next morning, September 29, ICE picked me up from the Howard County jail and took me to their main office in Baltimore. They put an ankle monitor on me and told me to present at the next check-in and follow all of their restrictions. I've been following their orders that say I have to stay home one day a week, so they can come check-in on me. The ICE agent in Baltimore where I was taken even asked me why I was there because I had no record with ICE. I also saw Howard County employees turning over other people to ICE while I was in the Howard County jail.

I'm scared to be deported because of the dangers I face in El Salvador. I want to stay with my wife and 3 year old daughter who was born in this country. I feel sad and upset that Howard County turned me over to ICE despite having no record with ICE. I hope to God that I'm able to stay united with my family. I hope that all of you vote to support this proposal CB-63.

Sayers, Margery

From: Haiyan_c <haiyan_c@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 10:10 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: No CB-63

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Dear Council members,

I came to the United States through legal immigration process more than 20 years ago and became a naturalized US citizen more than ten years ago. Having lived in Howard County for more than 13 years, I felt strongly to protect the integrity of this County against the sanctuary bill CB63-2020. By the way, this is the third time and hopefully last time to oppose the Sanctuary bill in Howard County.

I am all for sensible immigration laws, and we must make a clear distinction between legal immigration and illegal immigration.

Dear Council members, you would not encourage break-ins or play favoritism for persons who cut in the line, do you? If so, you would NOT believe in something is designed to work against the existing immigration laws.

If you truly believe our immigration laws were flawed, then you should propose a reform in the immigration laws instead of attempting to make rules and regulations at the local level in contrary to the federal laws. By supporting CB63-2020, you would betray our trust and severely undermine the safety and integrity of Howard County.

During yesterday's hearing, I heard the people who were for CB63 were making false narratives as if the immigration laws were outrageously wrong. Again, if the immigration laws were outrageously wrong, they should have fought for changing those laws instead of misusing our tax money to fund their own political agenda!

Also, I wanted to ask Dr. Opel Jones:

Why do you expose legal residents under FEAR & danger since they are likely to be harmed by illegal alien criminals/gangsters?

Do you know that all legal immigrants have gone thru years of VETTING process - criminal background check, finger print, etc.but illegal aliens have NONE? And do you know how dangerous that is without vetting?

Do you know all sanctuary cities have suffered higher drug/rape/murder crimes? It's a fact! please Don't deny it!

I am with many hardworking Howard County residents. Together we strongly oppose the CB63-2020. I respectfully urge you to stand up for the people and fight against this self-serving, insidious, morally corrupt County Bill 63-2020.

Sincerely yours,
Haiyan Chen

Sent from my iPad

Sayers, Margery

From: alilly6@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 9:50 AM
To: Ball, Calvin; Jones, Opel; CouncilMail; Walsh, Elizabeth; Jung, Deb; Rigby, Christiana; Yungmann, David
Subject: I OFFICIALLY HEREBY VETOE HOWARD COUNTY BILL CB63 2020! WE MUST LIBERATE THE MASSES OF ADOS PEOPLE WHO ARE LITERALLY IN BONDAGE INCARCERATED IN THIS EXACT COUNTY IN EXPONENTIALLY LARGER NUMBERS THAN ANY OTHER GROUP!

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ADOS HARRIET TUBMAN COUNTY RESIDENT

(MY NAME AND ACTIVISM IS PUBLIC RECORD)

Sayers, Margery

From: alilly6@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 9:49 AM
To: Ball, Calvin; Jones, Opel; CouncilMail; Walsh, Elizabeth; Jung, Deb; Rigby, Christiana; Yungmann, David
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ADOS HARRIET TUBMAN COUNTY RESIDENT

(MY NAME AND ACTIVISM IS PUBLIC RECORD)

Sayers, Margery

From: ying matties <ymatties@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 9:10 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: CB63-2020

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Dear County Council members,

I am writing to support CB63-2020 with the amendments put forward by the Howard County Coalition for Immigrant Justice.

I would also hope that all council members who support this bill strongly condemn the human right abuses as documented in this DHS report <https://www.oig.dhs.gov/sites/default/files/assets/2020-10/OIG-21-03-Oct20.pdf>. Nobody can call themselves champions of immigrant justice if they support one bill while being silent about human rights violations in the ICE detention center right in our backyard.

Thank you for your consideration.

Regards,

Ying Matties
10228 Little Brick House
Ellicott City, MD 21042

Sayers, Margery

From: hong Liu <hong752319@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 12:46 AM
To: CouncilMail

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Dear County Council members,

My name is Hong Liu, three kids' mom. I came to the United States through the legal immigration process and became a naturalized US citizen. Having lived in Howard County for more than 6 years, I love this county and we should protect it together.

CB63 will label our county as a Sanctuary County and hence a destination of choice for illegals to come, impacting our public safety.

Yes, my biggest concern is public safety. I heard so many tragedies happened in Montgomery County. You will be fully responsible for all lives lost in those angel families.

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Sincerely yours,

Sayers, Margery

From: Qian Zhang <zhqwind@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 10:52 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Opposing CB63

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Dear County Council members,

My name is Qian Zhang, a PhD in Sociology, a proud, legal immigrant, a resident in Howard County for 10 years, and this is the third time here to oppose the Sanctuary bill in Howard County. CB63 will label our county as a Sanctuary County and hence a destination of choice for illegals to come, impacting our public safety.

Yes, my biggest concern is public safety. Now those politicians want to remove SROs from our public schools, cancel county contract of detention center with ICE, even don't allow our local police officers working cooperatively with ICE, but welcome those illegal aliens to our county. It's not acceptable. Mr. Opel Jones, and others who support CB63, What do you really want to do to our county? If you welcome those illegal aliens, you are breaking our immigration laws, you are betraying your own county citizens by putting illegal aliens FIRST and county citizens LAST! This is called treason! I heard so many tragedies happened in Montgomery County. You will be fully responsible for all lives lost in those angel families, you should KNEEL before them.

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So dear councilmen and councilwomen, please vote NO to CB63.

Thanks,

Qian Zhang

Howard County Resident

Sent from my iPhone

Sayers, Margery

From: Yong Chen <flyeagle2001@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 10:24 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Strongly against CB63-2020

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Dear Howard County Council Members:

I came to the United States through legal immigration process and became a naturalized US citizen more than three years ago. Having lived in Howard County for almost 10 years, I felt strongly to protect the integrity of this County against the sanctuary bill CB63-2020.

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Sincerely yours,
Yong Chen

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

Sayers, Margery

From: Chuanqing Wu <chuangingwu@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 10:14 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Objection to Sanctuary Bill, CB63

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Dear County Council members,

My name is Charles, a proud legal immigrant, a resident in Howard County for more than 11 years, and this is the third time here to oppose the Sanctuary bill in Howard County.

CB63 will label our county as a Sanctuary County and hence a destination of choice for illegals to come, impacting our public safety.

There is no doubt that my biggest concern is public safety. Now some politicians want to remove SROs from our public schools, cancel county contract of detention center with ICE, even don't allow our local police officers working cooperationally with ICE, but welcome those illegal aliens to our county. It's not acceptable. Mr. Opel Jones, and others who support CB63, What do you really want to do to our county? If you welcome those illegal aliens, you are breaking our immigration laws, you are betraying your own county citizens by putting illegal aliens FIRST and county citizens LAST! This is called treason! I heard so many tragedies happened in Montgomery County. You will be fully responsible for all lives lost in those angel families, you should KNEEL before them.

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So dear councilmen and councilwomen, please vote NO to CB63.

Thanks,

Charles Wu

Howard County Resident

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

Sayers, Margery

From: Yong Ma <mayong135@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 10:06 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Against CB63

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Dear councilman,

I write to express my view of CB 63. On the surface, it appears to be nice for us to have such a bill. However, the ultimate effect of the Bill would attract more illegal immigrants to Howard county. My question is, do we really have the resources to support the immigrant children? Who is going to pay for their education? Are you going to increase taxes? And if so, is that fair to us the tax payers?

Based on a already crowded school system and lack of budget for our children, I want to say that I am against the Bill.

Thanks,
Yong Ma
Resident of Ellicott City

Sayers, Margery

From: Paul H <myoldsmoky@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 9:48 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Vote NO on CB63

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Dear Howard County Council members,

My name is Paul Huang, I have been living in Ellicott City for over 7 years and this is the third time I'm writing to oppose the Sanctuary bill. CB63 will label our county as a Sanctuary County and hence a destination of choice for illegals to come, impacting our public safety.

My biggest concern is public safety. I've heard lately for removal of SRO from our public schools, cancel county contract of detention center with ICE, restricting our local police officers working cooperatively with ICE. I do not approve the position that Mr. Opel Jones stands on CB63. What do you really want to do to our county? If you welcome those illegal aliens, you are breaking our immigration laws, you are betraying your own county citizens by putting illegal aliens FIRST and county citizens LAST! I've heard so many tragedies happened in our neighboring Montgomery County, we do not want that happen here!

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Sanctuary county, providing a 'safe haven' for illegal aliens, is unfair to legal immigrants who respect our nation's laws.

Again, Council members should not put Howard County residents' personal life and properties under danger and threat by harboring illegal alien criminals. It's not a time for politics, you should focus on citizens of our county.

So, dear councilmen and councilwomen, please vote NO to CB63.

Thank you.

Paul Huang

Sayers, Margery

From: hlqin2009@gmail.com
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 9:50 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: No to CB63

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Dear County Council members,

My name is Hanlin Qin, a PhD in Civil Engineering, a proud, legal immigrant, a resident in Howard County for more than 18 years, and this is the third time here to oppose the Sanctuary bill in Howard County. CB63 will label our county as a Sanctuary County and hence a destination of choice for illegals to come, impacting our public safety.

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Thanks,

Hanlin Qin

Howard County Resident

Sayers, Margery

From: Ed Suess <edsuess@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 9:35 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Opposition to CB63

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As a resident of Howard County since 2004, I would like to express my strong opposition to CB63.

Sanctuary county designation is marketing to encourage people to move to our county. Statistically, people who are more likely to draw away resources needed for the current residents of the county. Inequity will only be increased as jobs, already reduced by the pandemic will have more applicants.

Police services, which also will be facing reduced funding will be stretched further as crime statistics are higher in counties designating themselves as sanctuaries.

This designation has no positive side to offset these issues. It is merely stating what anyone familiar with our county already knows. Do the right thing, the common sense thing, support the people that form your current constituency and reject this proposal.

Sincerely,
Ed Suess

Sent from my iPhone

Sayers, Margery

From: si wen <siwen55@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 8:57 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Vote down CB63-2020

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Dear Council Members,

I am astounded with CB63-2020 proposed by Dr. Opel Jones that is clearly intended to make Howard County a sanctuary county.

In 2017, in response to the widespread opposition from Howard County communities which caught national media attention, a sanctuary bill was vetoed by then Chief Executive and was finally abandoned by the county council. This sanctuary bill also become a hot campaign topic in the 2018 county election. And now, Dr. Jones wants to rewrite history and challenge the will of people to open the gate to illegal immigrants.

I hope the county council has the courage and wisdom to vote down CB63-2020. Howard County Votes are watching you!

Sincerely,

Gwen S.

Sayers, Margery

From: Nancy Shih <shih4500-nancy@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 8:13 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Re: Opposing CB63

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Council Open Jones,

By proposing CB63, you should be charged with the crime of **TREASON & TREACHERY for your BETRAYAL of County residents.**

First of all, you are selling out the safety & well-being of Howard County residents in exchange with **FOREIGN** illegal criminal influence & interference!

Your intention is obviously to subject HoCo residents to perpetual FEAR and harassment of illegal criminal threat!

Like the rest radical left politicians in this country, you want to weaken the law-abiding & hardworking citizens and make them vulnerable in every aspect.

Secondly, by proposing a Sanctuary City bill, you have **obstructed** Federal immigration law! You have ignored law & order which is the foundation of our country. Such lawless act & attitude should be forbidden, if not sanctioned!

HoCo police department already adopts a policy that prohibits policeman from asking suspects immigration questions. HoCo police are great and we should trust them!

CB63 is against the will of HoCo legal residents and is totally unnecessary!

Please DROP it! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Nancy Shih
D2 resident

Sayers, Margery

From: Chunxiao Zhu <indydolphin@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 7:49 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: No to CB63

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Dear County Council members,

My name is Lily Zhu, a US citizen and physician living in Howard County. This is the third time here to oppose the Sanctuary bill in Howard County. CB63 will label our county as a Sanctuary County and hence a destination of choice for illegals to come, impacting our public safety.

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Lily Zhu

Howard County Resident

Sent from my iPhone

Sayers, Margery

From: Chunxiao Zhu <zhuchunxiao@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 7:48 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: No to CB63

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Sayers, Margery

From: sue huang <suehuang9@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 7:32 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Please support Howard Residents against Sanctuary City

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Hi Councilmen,

Please support local residents including both citizen and legal residents to vote against Sanctuary City.

Opel Jones betrayed our residents, and must be voted off.

Thanks for your listening!

Su
Howard Resident

Sayers, Margery

From: alilly6@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 7:30 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I OFFICIALLY HEREBY VETOE HOWARD COUNTY BILL CB63 2020! WE MUST LIBERATE THE MASSES OF ADOS PEOPLE WHO ARE LITERALLY IN BONDAGE INCARCERATED IN THIS EXACT COUNTY IN EXPONENTIALLY LARGER NUMBERS THAN ANY OTHER GROUP!

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ADOS HARRIET TUBMAN COUNTY RESIDENT

(MY NAME AND ACTIVISM IS PUBLIC RECORD)

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From: alilly6@aol.com
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To: Ball, Calvin; Jones, Opel; CouncilMail; Walsh, Elizabeth; Jung, Deb; Rigby, Christiana; Yungmann, David; CouncilMail
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Sincerely,

Linglei Ma
District 5

Sent from my iPhone

Sayers, Margery

From: Luyin Sun <myzmlm@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 7:02 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Against bill cb63

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to oppose cb63 bill. As you all know there are so families are affected by covid-19. A lot of our county residents are struggling to earn meals for their family. How dare you waist our tax payer money on your own agenda. If you really care illigal immigrants please welcome them to your own house and share your fortune with them. Don't waist our tax money and tax payers time on this nonsense every year. It's called corruption.

Thanks for your time,
Luyin Sun

Sayers, Margery

From: Thomas Liu <jtliu_99@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 6:33 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Opposition to CB63-2020

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From: Lei Qian <qianleidl@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 6:21 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: please vote NO to CB63

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Dear County Council members,

My name is Lei Qian, a proud, legal immigrant, a resident in Howard County for more than 12 years, and this is the third time here to oppose the Sanctuary bill in Howard County.

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Thanks,

Lei Qian

Howard County Resident

Sent from my iPad

Sayers, Margery

From: Katie Wolven <katiewolven@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 6:20 PM
To: superintendent@hcpss.org; BOE@hcpss.org; mavis_ellis@hcpss.org; vicky_cutroneo@hcpss.org; kirsten_coombs@hcpss.org; Christina_delmont-small@hcpss.org; jennifer_mallo@hcpss.org; sabina_taj@hcpss.org; chao_wu@hcpss.org
Cc: Ball, Calvin; CouncilMail
Subject: Failure to vote for a hybrid option for HCPSS

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Dear Dr. Martirano, Ms. Ellis, Mrs. Cutroneo, Ms. Coombs, Ms. Delmont-Small, Ms. Mallo, Ms. Taj and Mr. Wu,

I am writing to you regarding your quick decision last night to not even consider a hybrid school option for the students of HCPSS to start until the end of 3rd quarter. I am confused as to why the vote occurred during what was supposed to be a work session to tweak the plan that Dr. Martirano brought forward to the entire Board of Education. It is sad, that only one group is mentioned over and over again when discussing a plan for in person learning. Each and every time, the students are left out of the conversation. At the same time you were making motion after motion to strike down any plan to return to in person learning the NBC nightly news aired a very important segment that allowed the students voice to be heard. I want to share this segment with you. I found it very important and something each and everyone one of you should consider. You can scroll to 12:20 to reach the segment or watch the entire evening in full, but please pay close attention.

<https://www.nbcnews.com/nightly-news-netcast/video/nightly-news-full-broadcast-november-16th-96034373650>

As you can see, this pandemic is impacting students in many ways. Yes, health is the most important factor and thank goodness a proper plan was put into place for the HCPSS school system to operate in person when allowed by the metrics. However, if our metrics allow, the BOE did not allow any plan to go forward to allow each and every student an option to return to in person learning. Which in turn, impacts these kids this year and for years to come. Teachers have month after month to improve upon their virtual teaching methods, but they know how to teach in person. Students only have one chance at this school year. One. Last night you took away their chance to choose what learning plan works best for them, you took away the parents choice to make the best decision for their kids. You took away my daughter's one chance to experience her senior year.

We accept the fact that the metrics may not allow her to return, but I do not accept the fact that you can not allow any plan to move forward for a chance for in person learning, whatever it looks like, to happen.

Sincerely,
Katie Wolven

Sayers, Margery

From: Wu Di <andyrpi2012@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 5:49 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: CB-9 is a political posture, it creates financial burden

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Dear Council Members,

My name is Andy. I am a computer programmer and first generation immigrant. My family has lived in Howard County, the best place to live in this country, for over 10 years. Today I am here to strongly oppose the CB9-2017 bill.

I am a Democratic and strong supporter of Ms. Hillary Clinton. I still do not like president-elect Donald Trump, and disagree with many of his positions. However, let me emphasize, this is not a time or matter about post-election disappointment, anti-Trump sentiment, hate, or diversity. This is about the future of Howard County, our home, our children's home. This is beyond Donald Trump and his administration. The timing of this bill is awkward and bad. It was introduced during the holiday season and right before the new president's inauguration. Even today, many people still have not heard about this bill at all. For such a critical matter, we simply cannot make a rush and risky decision.

Secondly, the content of this bill is vague. As much as I believe in all the good intentions of this bill attempting to provide better benefits and protection to undocumented immigrants, it lacks practical details, especially in terms of financial funding, or how to make this feasible in the long term. Let me ask this question: are we going to use the same amount of taxpayers' money we have today (or actually less money due to the potential loss of federal funding) to support more people, OR increase taxes in order to provide the same benefits we have today to all people, documented and undocumented? Either way, how will this bill make financial sense to our whole community? For example, to our schools and already tight education resources? We all live by real financial numbers, not by politics. Trump and sanctuary California can declare bankruptcy, shall we?

Due to the limited time I have today, I am not even going to talk about other major issues like public safety concerns.

Council members, this matter is crossing party lines. Here I urge you to please carefully consider or re-consider your position. We are counting on you.

Thank you!

Sayers, Margery

From: SG Chen <schen255@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 5:03 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Vote NO to CB63-2020

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Dear Council members,

I came to the United States through legal immigration process and became a naturalized US citizen more than ten years ago. Having lived in Howard County for more than 15 years, I felt strongly to protect the integrity of this County against the sanctuary bill CB63-2020.

I am all for sensible immigration laws, and we must make a clear distinction between legal immigration and illegal immigration.

Dear Council members, you would not encourage break-ins or play favoritism for persons who cut in the line, do you? If so, you would NOT believe in something is designed to work against the existing immigration laws.

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Please vote NO to CB63-2020.

Thanks.

Sincerely yours,

Shaoguang Chen

Sayers, Margery

From: no-reply@howardcountymd.gov
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 4:47 PM
To: abszk1123@gmail.com
Subject: Council - No for CB63-2020

First Name: SHINIERY
Last Name: KOYUKI
Email: abszk1123@gmail.com
Street Address: 4128 TIBER FALLS DR
City: Ellicott City
Subject: No for CB63-2020

Message:

Dear Council members, My name is Shiniery Koyuki and have been living in Howard County for more than 18 years. I felt strongly to protect the integrity of this County against the sanctuary bill CB63-2020. I am all for sensible immigration laws, and we must make a clear distinction between legal immigration and illegal immigration. Dear Council members, you would not encourage break-ins or play favoritism for persons who cut in the line, do you? If so, you would NOT believe in something is designed to work against the existing immigration laws. If you truly believe our immigration laws were flawed, then you should propose a reform in the immigration laws instead of attempting to make rules and regulations at the local level in contrary to the federal laws. By supporting CB63-2020, you would betray our trust and severely undermine the safety and integrity of Howard County. Overall, the people who were against CB63 were truly thinking for the wellbeing of the Howard County residents. Whereas the people who were for CB63 were making false narratives as if the immigration laws were outrageously wrong. Again, if the immigration laws were outrageously wrong, they should have fought for changing those laws instead of misusing our tax money to fund their own political agenda! I am with many hardworking Howard County residents. Together we strongly oppose the CB63-2020. On behalf of my friends, neighbors, and colleagues, I respectfully urge you to stand up for the people and fight against this self-serving, insidious, morally corrupt County Bill 63-2020. Please vote "No" to CB63-2020. Sincerely yours, Shiniery Koyuki

Sayers, Margery

From: Dayong Shen <dayong_shen@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 3:36 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Opposing bill CB63-20

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Dear Ms./Mr.,
Good afternoon.

I am writing to strongly oppose the new bill CB63-20 for changing Howard county into a sanctuary county.
The artical below explains why we should oppose this bill.

<https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.heritage.org%2Fimmigration%2Fcommentary%2Fsanctuary-cities-thats-constitutional-hell-no&data=04%7C01%7Cmsayers%40howardcountymd.gov%7C1c1a586226984f778ace08d88b388215%7C0538130803664bb7a95b95304bd11a58%7C1%7C0%7C637412422696255961%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6Ikl1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C2000&sdata=ZlmkjPpf6lE4YlJdYSXuoWkXKdpKGKizr1pyU1vwBCQ%3D&reserved=0>

I hope you can take into consideration of my concern.

Sincerely,

Dayong

Howard County Resident

Sayers, Margery

From: Lixin Zhang <lixinzhang@yahoo.com>
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From: Cynthia Yung <chuiyuen.yung@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 3:24 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Against evil CB9-2017

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Dear Council Members,

My name is Chuiyuen Yung. I moved to this country from Hong Kong 25 years ago, and I moved from Northern Virginia to live in Laurel 12 years ago. I pay all taxes every year and love Howard County very much.

Unfortunately, I did not know that people in the council who drafted CB9-2017, or otherwise they might have been able to advise me on how to legally stay here illegally, and get all the benefits such as going to school, going to college with full financial aid, going to emergency rooms for both minor and major problems without paying a dime. I wish I knew you sooner, Mr. Ball; however, you must be happy to know that, there are hundreds of million people all over the world, after hearing your amnesty, may want to come to Howard county, so you will have a chance to squeeze further the hard-working taxpayers. Maybe this is the beacon you intended in the first place, maybe not.

I am worried about the safety of my kids and family, when people moved here without going through the vetting process. I do not understand why legal immigrants have to go through background checks, but illegals do not have to do so. Why do you want to tie the hands of our law enforcement, either the police or immigration officers? I consider immigration a federal issue and we need to respect the authority of the federal government, even if you do not like the new administration. You are so concerned about the safety of the illegal immigrants; wouldn't you please also look after the safety of my kids?

I am also worried about the long-term economic consequences for my family. With each illegal immigrant, kids and adults, the residents here have to pay for whatever the expenses they incur. As a mother of two kids, I have to work to be able to pay various taxes and assessments, and make our ends meet. When my children go to college, the chance for them to get any financial aid is pretty much non-existent for no reason other than we are paying enough taxes, we have to save money for their tuition. I would also like to stay home to raise the children, because that would be of best interest to them, but we could not afford it. I am very much worried about the additional financial burden that will be forced upon us to cover the additional cost. Do you understand?

I strongly oppose CB9-2017. It is a bad , even evil legislation, and has destructive consequences for the county and the nation.

Chuiyuen Yung

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Sayers, Margery

From: Leying Zhang <leyingz@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 3:12 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Nooooooooo to CB63 Bill

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Dear County Council members,

My name is Leying Zhang, a PhD in Environmental Engineering, a proud, legal immigrant, a resident in Howard County for almost 10 years, and this is my second time here to oppose the Sanctuary bill in Howard County. CB63 will label our county as a Sanctuary County and hence a destination of choice for illegals to come, impacting our public safety.

Yes, my biggest concern is public safety. Now those politicians want to remove SROs from our public schools, cancel county contract of detention center with ICE, even don't allow our local police officers working cooperatively with ICE, but welcome those illegal aliens to our county. It's not acceptable. Mr. Opel Jones, and others who support CB63, What do you really want to do to our county? If you welcome those illegal aliens, you are breaking our immigration laws, you are betraying your own county citizens by putting illegal aliens FIRST and county citizens LAST! This is called treason! I heard so many tragedies happened in Montgomery County. You will be fully responsible for all lives lost in those angel families, you should KNEEL before them.

Law enforcement officers are on the front lines, dealing with crime associated with illegal ALIENS, including drug- and gang- related crimes. Sanctuary practices result in dangerous criminal aliens being released back onto the streets instead of being removed.

Sanctuary practices pose a public safety and national security threat. By impeding cooperation with federal immigration officials, sanctuary cities create an environment where would-be terrorists and other criminal aliens can go undetected and uninterrupted.

Sanctuary county, providing a "safe haven" for illegal aliens, is unfair to legal immigrants who respect our nation's laws.

Again, Council members should not put Howard County residence personal life and properties under danger and threat by harboring illegal alien criminals. If Any of our county residents become a victim like one of the angel families, you should feel guilty and ashamed because you pass this terrible bill.

So dear councilmen and councilwomen, please vote NO to CB63.

Thanks,

Leying Zhang
Howard County Resident

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From: Leon Liang <liangguizhi@yahoo.com>
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Subject: STRONGLY AGAINST CB63

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I AM OUTRAGEOUS, WE ARE OUTRAGEOUS!!!

SICK AND TIRED OF THIS BS STUFF COMING BACK OVER AND OVER.

SOMEONE AMONG YOU ARE TRYING TO RUIN HOCO.

IF YOU WANT TO MAKE HOCO A SANCTUARY PLACE, OPEN UP YOUR OWN HOME AND TAKE A FEW ILLEGALS - YES IT IS POLITICALLY INCORRECT WORD BUT SHOW US THAT THEY DIDN'T BREAK THE LAW!!

Best regards

Leon

1. Topic: CB-63 is a political posture, it creates financial burden

Dear Council Members,

My name is Mike Ren. I am a computer engineer and first generation immigrant. My family moved in Howard County 3 years ago because Howard County is one of the best places to live in this country. Today I am here to strongly oppose the CB63-2020 bill.

I am an unaffiliated citizen to any of political parties. However, let me emphasize, this is not a time or matter about post-election disappointment, anti-Trump sentiment, hate, or diversity. This is about the future of Howard County, our home, our children's home. This is beyond Donald Trump and his administration. The timing of this bill is awkward and bad. It was introduced during the holiday season and right before the new president's inauguration. Even today, many people still have not heard about this bill at all. For such a critical matter, we simply cannot make a rush and risky decision.

Secondly, the content of this bill is vague. As much as I believe in all the good intentions of this bill attempting to provide better benefits and protection to illegal immigrants, it lacks practical details, especially in terms of financial funding, or how to make this feasible in the long term. Let me ask this question: are we going to use the same amount of taxpayers' money we have today (or actually less money due to the potential loss of federal funding) to support more people, OR increase taxes in order to provide the same benefits we have today to all people, documented and undocumented? Either way, how will this bill make financial sense to our whole community? For example, to our schools and already tight education resources? We all live by real financial numbers, not by politics. Trump and sanctuary California can declare bankruptcy, shall we?

Furthermore, if the County passes such bill, it will encourage the illegal immigrants to rush into our community and cause a lot of more issues. It will create more burdens on the security, finance, housing and school resources.

Due to the limited time I have today, I am not even going to talk about other major issues like public safety concerns.

Council members, this matter is crossing party lines. Here I urge you to please carefully consider or re-consider your position. We are counting on you.

Thank you!

Mike Ren

2. Topic: Concerns on safety, financial burden, being victimized by the Bill

Good evening. My name is Hui Jiang. I have lived in Howard County for 16 years. I am a data manager and my husband is a scientist. Like all hard-working middle class, we contribute a lot of income tax to support our County's operation. Here I am strongly against CB-9 because I have many fears and concerns.

My first concern is that the safety of our community will be compromised if this bill passes. this bill is a short term, temporary, and potentially dangerous solution to the much bigger issue of citizenship rather than trying to make a political move to solve this issue in some way. Under sanctuary policies, illegal immigrants can obtain all the benefits living in Howard County regardless of their citizenship. So they don't have to strive to apply for citizenship and go through all the legal steps including criminal background check, medical exam, citizenship test, etc. Lack of criminal background check is very risky. As everybody knows, background check is crucial to maintain a safe and welcoming community. Therefore, I am afraid if this bill passes, the crime rate could increase. The bill could jeopardize the safety for majority of our county's legal resident and citizens.

I am also concerned that our county will run into more fiscal trouble if the bill is passed; our schools are already running out of budget in some areas. For example, during this school year, due to the shortness of budget, my daughter's high school no longer provides text books to every student in some classes. If we continue to increase expenditure without proper management, the quality of public school education we have worked so hard to build will be no more.

In addition, another concern is that our community will become unstable. Incoming illegal immigrants will definitely increase in our county as a result of this bill. This situation will add huge financial and economic burden. It may cause depreciation in housing values and degradation of public service. On the whole, I fear this sanctuary status will make our beautiful county become unattractive for law-abiding hardworking young people when they move into our community.

Please consider all of my realistic fears and concerns. We are all very vulnerable and do not want to become victims of CB-9. Please put the citizens and children of Howard County first.

Thank you,

Hui

3. Topic: Respect law, bad experience living in Montgomery County in the past

My name is Yong Ma, I live on xxxx xxxxx in Ellicott City. I moved to Howard County last October. Living here only for 3 months, I already love the beautiful place and the very friendly people of Howard County. Coming from Montgomery county, I want to tell you, do NOT vote for CB-9. If the bill passed, two things will happen, as I witnessed during my 17 year stay in Montgomery County: higher crime rate, and lower rating schools.

Last night I came to listen. I didn't plan to speak. But after listening to folks supporting the bill, I decided to sign up, I simply could not agree with what they said.

One person mentioned that 70% of Howard County voted against Donald Trump. And because Trump is against illegal immigration, the same 70% people must all support the bill. Wrong, that is completely wrong! I, for one, did vote against Donald Trump, but, I want to speak loud and clearly, I oppose bill CB-9. And here is why:

1. Nobody should go beyond our law. Not you, not me, not someone from other countries. The United States is a great country and Howard County is the place we call home. We love our country and our county. Why? Because this is a place law is respected and things are in order. Illegal immigrants are illegal, they came to our country illegally. They broke our law first, why should we put their interest above ours? The immigration law was put in place to protect us, if it needs to be amended, let's work together at the federal level, through the legal route. The CB-9 bill does not serve that purpose, rather, it'll open a flood gate, calling all illegal immigrants to come here. That is not what we need and that is not what we want.
2. There is a difference between legal immigrants and illegal immigrants. Mind you, I am an immigrant, a legal immigrant. Please don't mix up us with illegal immigrants. The CB-9 bill wants to think that we are all the same, but we are NOT. We, the legal ones, followed the law, worked every step of the way to become US citizens. It took us years to gain the permanent residence status. And, we don't have any fear, we didn't break our law. What are we afraid of?
3. One person claimed that statistics showed crime rate is lower among immigrants. Yes, that is true for the legal immigrants. But I DOUBT that is true among illegal immigrants. Before we can have solid data, let's be cautious and protect our lawful citizens first.

4. Topic: CB-9 cannot solve discrimination problems. Bill is false compassion (hypocrisy)

My name is Nancy. Tonight I come here as a Christian with faith in Christ. I am also here as a friend to the undocumented immigrants and those who have Muslim faith.

To these people, I'd like to say: I love you and I want to embrace you and accept you totally as who you are and as precious human beings.

To the undocumented immigrants and your children, I would like to say: I heard your cry. I am with you. I understand your strife and sorrow that you've been thru.

However, I want to tell you that CB9 cannot and will not offer you shield of protection from the act of discrimination or prejudice as you said you have experienced in the community. NO LAWS CAN. Discrimination is a symptom of a root problem. That is the sinful nature of human beings. A heart problem can only be fixed by being transformed by the power of the Gospel. And that is the pastors' job! That's the church's and charitable organizations' job to light the community by showing real actions of love to these people who live as our neighbors, and to influence the society with culture and atmosphere of kindness. This was what Jesus did on earth to reach out to the weak and the needed.

In addition, we can set up non-profit organizations specialized in providing legal service, social and emotional support to these people. Let the humanitarian organizations do the humanitarian jobs! CB-9 is not the solution!

The wrong kind of compassion by using public funding instead of individual and organization funding and put the majority's public safety and policemen life in jeopardy, is not true compassion. It is hypocrisy. POLICEMAN'S LIFE MATTERS!

While officially being labeled as Sanctuary County, CB9 will inevitably lure a steady influx of new incoming undocumented immigrants including gangsters from neighboring Counties. The existing undocumented immigrants will actually be victimized instead of being benefited.

This Bill's hollow content will do little to help these people. Only the collaborative effort of every individual and organization in the community, combined with the spirit of understanding and compassion can bring about genuine acceptance, comfort and peace for them. I am against CB9 and I urge the Council to postpone your vote till after 60 days of the Hearing.

5. Topic: safety (no vetting for illegals), economic consequences

My name is Greg Soon. I live at xxx, Clarksville, District 4. I am a resident there for 13 years; I lived in Maryland for over 20 years. And I came to this country more than 30 years ago and paid all taxes every year; I received my citizenship in 1999, waiting in the line patiently for 12 years.

That is the only way I know then on how to become a citizen. Unfortunately, I did not know the people in the council who drafted this legislation, or otherwise they might have been able to advise me on how to legally staying here illegally, and get all the benefits such as going to school, going to college with full financial aid, going to emergency rooms for both minor and major problems without paying a dime. I wish I knew you sooner, Mr. Ball and Ms. Terrasa. However you must be happy to know that, there are hundreds millions people all over the world, after hearing your amnesty, may want to come to Howard county, so you will have a chance to squeeze further the hard working tax payers. Maybe this is the beacon you intended in the first place, maybe not.

Dear Council members, Mary Kay you are in my district, I am worried about the safety of my kids and family, when people moved here without going through the vetting process. I do not understand why legal immigrants have to go through background checks, but illegals do not have to do so. Why do you want to tie the hands of our law enforcement, either the police or immigration officers? I consider immigration a federal issue and we need to respect the authority of the federal government, even if you do not like the new administration. You are so concerned about the safety of the illegal immigrants; wouldn't you please also look after the safety of my kids?

I am also worried about the long-term economic consequences for my family. With each illegal immigrant, kids and adults, the residents here have to pay for whatever the expenses they incur. As a father of three kids, both my wife and I have to work to be able to pay various taxes and assessments, and making our ends meet. When my children go to college, the chance for them to get any financial aid is pretty much non-existent for no reason other than we are paying enough taxes, we have to save money for their tuition. I would also like my wife to stay home to raise the children, because that would be of best interest to them, but we could not afford it. I am very much worried about the additional financial burden that will be forced upon us to cover the additional cost. Do you understand?

Last night's testimony included several lawyers who profit from illegal immigrants, it is obvious that they are biased and will do things that harm the interest of the residents, but I am very disappointed that they were being invited to the work session. Could you get people who truly represent the voters to the working session, not the special interest?

I'm here tonight to strongly oppose CB9-2017. I think it is a bad legislation, and have bad consequences for the county and the nation.

6. Topic: The bill divides our community

My name is Jean Xu. I have lived in Howard County District 1 for 10 years. I immigrated from China more than 20 years ago and became a proud US Citizen after 10 years of waiting in the line. Currently I'm the president of Chinese American Parent Association of Howard County. But I'm speaking as an individual tonight.

I'm here to strongly oppose CB9-2017.

Howard County has always been known for its diversity, inclusion, and civility. My High School daughter has friends from diverse backgrounds. She just learned some facts about fasting from one of her muslim friends and found it very interesting and shared it with me. She and her friend work on team projects and go to clubs together. We parents arrange car pool and became good friends as well. In addition, our county has many diverse programs / initiatives that support all members of the community. I have the privilege to be involved in a few of them, including the Culture Proficiency and Equity Advisory Committee, Diversity and Inclusion Committee, both are under HCPSS. I have always been very proud that my family lives in a place that respects all cultures and celebrates diversity. Therefore when I read this bill, I felt very offended by its language. The message in the bill appears to be that if we don't agree with your position then we must be xenophobic, Islamophobic or a racist and a bigot. This kind of narrative divides up and tears apart our wonderful community.

Introducing this bill does not prevent hate speech or provide additional protection as the stated intention of this bill. Quite the opposite, it creates problems. It has polarized this community unnecessarily. Council members, please look around this meeting room. So many people came out tonight, taking away our precious time with our family and friends. I believe many of you have received tons of emails and read thousands of social media posts with dividing opinions. Tension has been built up in our community after the introduction of this bill. And this very fact deeply troubles me. This bill does not make our county a better community. To the contrary, it will wreck the trust among our community members. Mr. Weinstein, Mrs. Sigaty and Mr. Fox, I urge you to vote against CB9-2017.

Thank you for listening.

7. Topic: How to increase County revenue to support the expenses incurred by the bill

My name is Xinning. I have been living in Maryland for 8 years. I ever lived in Silver Spring, Rockville, Elkridge, Gaithersburg, and finally settle down in Ellicott City, a beautiful neighborhood in District 1 of Howard County. I don't represent any organization. But, I do carry the message from several of my neighbors, including a couple I just talked to this afternoon. We are strongly opposing Bill CB-9, because we are deeply concerned about the consequence and impact this bill will bring on our public finances if it is passed.

First, CB-9 does not explain how to generate revenue to support all the public services and programs required for the bill, i.e., public schools, hospitals, social welfare program, security force, libraries, and other public services. It is very easy and convenient for politicians to assert their diversity and humanitarian attributes when they can do so simply by spending public funds. That's the money of people sitting in this room, including you and me. According to the recent county fiscal report, about 60% of the county revenue of Howard comes from property tax and income tax. We don't get a whole lot of state or federal grant and so we the tax payers are directly responsible for the bulk of the county's revenue, and I think we deserve well to know and choose better how our tax dollars are spent.

Based on what we have learned from Montgomery County's experience so far, it is clear that additional funding will be required to support increasing demand for public safety and service as well as education programs if the sanctuary status is declared. Montgomery County is a host of two sanctuary cities, and they just announced an increase of property tax rate by almost 9% for this year¹.

Furthermore, Bill CB-9 does not provide measures on how to cover the potential loss on federal funding toward certain public services and programs. Very recently, city of San Francisco, a pioneer of sanctuary cities, has encountered potential budget deficit, and has to reevaluate their spending, partially because foreseeing that they may lose federal funding due to the sanctuary city status². The financial constraint may result in cut on housing subsidies for current residents with low income, new leases for buildings to shelter the homeless, which I think lots of people including myself and also those who support the bill do not want to see.

So my question to you council members is simple: We work hard and pay taxes to make Howard as a beautiful home, and we are already experiencing shortage of funding and resources in some areas. If we declare sanctuary status, do we have the capacity and affordability to support the social and charity work on such a large scale underlined by CB-9?

Thanks for listening.

1. Biggest tax hike since 2009 is now official in Montgomery County
<https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/md-politics/biggest-tax-hike-since-2009-is-now->

official-in-montgomery-county/2016/05/26/abf9200e-228b-11e6-8690-f14ca9de2972_story.html?utm_term=.33b9e11790c1

2. Trump's sanctuary city threat, shortfalls lead SF to revise budget
<http://www.sfchronicle.com/politics/article/Trump-s-sanctuary-city-threat-shortfalls-lead-10638974.php>

(Supplemental😊)

After hearing the testimonies from people who support the bill, I have some additional points to make, which I did not get time to cover in my testimony.

First, some bill supporters argued it is not very likely that sanctuary cities will lose federal funding, because this needs the approval of congress. Federal funding to sanctuary cities covers a number of things and is complicated, so it is difficult for the congress to simply peel it off. Well, we all know that the congress is controlled by Republicans. We just heard that the majority leader of the congress, Mr. Paul Ryan, publically stated that 'Sanctuary cities are a violation of the rule of law. We need to secure the border and enforce our laws'. The above news cited clearly demonstrated that the local administrative of San Francisco is serious about the risk, unless the supporters of CB-9 think those guys in SF having nothing else to do. I'd rather trust the judgement of professionals in San Francisco, than a group of people living across the whole continental, in terms of the local issues of SF.

Secondly, some supporters of CB-9 said that Howard is different from SF, and the federal funding only accounts for a small amount of county spending. That's true. It could be just 5%. However, this is still a big amount of money. The Howard county budge in 2017 is 1.5 billion. Even 5% of that will be 75 million dollars. Currently, there are lots of struggles among students and parents about the starting time of public schools of Howard. To resolve the issue of high school students not having enough sleeping time, some proposals plan to push the starting time of high school later. However, this will be implemented at the expense of moving the starting time of elementary schools earlier, since there are limited sources of school buses. The same batches of school buses are used for transport of elementary, middle, and high school students. This raises tremendous worrisome among parents of young kids, as the starting time of elementary schools could be as early as 7:30AM, which means that the bus time is even earlier and young kids have to get up very early.

Currently, this issue seems stuck there, as none of these proposals sound reasonable solutions. However, there is actually an easy way, that is, simply allocating some additional funding to buy more buses and hire drivers. The cost is estimated to be several millions, definitely no more than 10 million. Compared to the federal funding put at risk by CB-9 bill, this is just a small fraction. However, it seems very challenging for the school system/county to get this extra amount of money, if not impossible. So, my question to the supporters of CB-9 is that, why not take care of our own problem, take care of kids in our schools first (please note the kids of undocumented immigrants currently living in Howard and enrolled in schools will also be

affected by the school starting time issue)? No matter how BIG our heart is, no matter how willing we want to be generous, we must face the reality.

8. Topic: The importance to follow U.S. immigration law, how did I become a U.S. citizen thru strict vetting process, safety concern

My name is Yunshan Ye, resident of Ellicott City MD. Thank you for the opportunity to testify regarding the proposed bill, CB-9. For the record, I strongly oppose the bill, for reasons that many have already stated clearly and forcefully. For sake of time, I will not repeat what's already been said. I just want to take the opportunity to make one clarification and make a final plea.

I have heard many who support the bill speak about "breaking the US immigration law" as if it was no big deal. Repeatedly, following a so-called expert, an immigration lawyer, they claim that it is not a crime to break the immigration law. Yes, we understand that it is not the same as committing robbery or murder. But when you break a law and are punishable by the government, in my definition, you have committed a crime. It may be called a misdemeanor, or felony. But it is a crime, no less! And when we talk about possible impact of illegal immigrants on the security of our community, let's listen to our police, the true and trustworthy experts, not an immigration lawyer who has an obviously vested interest in gaining more customers, nor politicians who are counting on gaining more votes from certain population!

Many CB-9 supporters repeatedly lump all immigrants together, legal and illegal. As a first generation, legal immigrant, I find it very misleading and personally offensive. I came to US as student in 1997. After six years of graduate school, I graduated, got a job, and applied for green card in 2003. I did not get green card until 2012, a total of 9 years' wait. And then I had to wait another three years to become a US citizen. It was a long, often painful process. But I understand, for those of us born outside the country, the US citizenship is a privilege, not a right. Through the long immigration process, I did numerous finger prints, three physical exams, many face to face interviews with immigration officers. In other words, I was thoroughly vetted. When I took my first job, my position was advertised nationally and my employer had to prove to the government that no US citizen would want or was qualified for the job, to ensure I was not taking jobs from US citizens. My employer also had to pay me above average salary, again to ensure I was not cheap labor and undercutting wages of US citizens. This is what it takes to become a legal immigrant. Can we say the same about illegal immigrants? I understand by far the majority of undocumented immigrants are good, decent, hardworking people, people just like us in search of a better life. But the crucial difference is that there is no vetting process for illegal immigrants. That's why we are worried. We are worried that there might be bad guys mixed in them. Again, nobody is saying that all illegal immigrants are criminals. But as someone said earlier, one criminal, one crime, in our community would be too many, if we could have prevented it. If you think this is just fear mongering, tell me why this concern is not justified. When you invite more illegal immigrants coming to our community, don't just cite this number

or that number. Just tell me how you would prevent bad guys from coming to our community. If you have a plan, go ahead and tell us. I am all ears. If you have no plan and choose to ignore the concern, then you are being reckless and do not deserve the seat in our government.

I want to end my testimony with a plea. I want to plea with everybody present, all the concerned citizens on both sides of debate. Let's not stop propagating this either/or logic inherent in this bill. That is, either you support the bill or you are a bigot; either you welcome illegal immigrants or you are xenophobic, racist. Instead, let's agree to disagree and try to find middle ground. Let's find solutions instead of pointing fingers. Despite our differences, I believe we have plenty in common. We all love Howard County, our home. We all take pride in its rich diverse culture and beautiful environment. We all want and need safety. And more importantly, we are not mean spirited people. We all want to help, no matter the homeless, refugees, illegal immigrants, and their children especially. What differs among us is how. Is "Sanctuary County" really the only way to help? Is it really worth it, tearing apart our community, pitting neighbor against neighbor, in order to pursue this bill? Can we wait another 90 days, take a breath, clear our heads of our prejudices and pre-conceived notions, and have more constructive discussions? Can we explore together other, maybe better solutions, solutions that could both help those in need while not destroying our own community?

9. Topic: Potential MS-13 gang members will threaten the County safety, financial burden on taxpayers

My name is Xin Yi and I want to introduce myself as an immigrant. I made several choices when I grew up. I chose to study and work very hard to attend college then to get a good job here 10 years ago. It was a long and difficult journey to obtain legal residency status. But I made these choices so my kids can live a life with dignity. I am sharing my story here because it is very similar to many other immigrants like me.

My husband and I have built a small family with two kids. Like many others, we have chosen Howard County because of its low crime rate and great schools. In reading the news, MS-13 gang in DC often recruits young illegal immigrants. Washington Metro Area has seen an increased gang-related violence from illegal immigrants, including Montgomery County, where the Police said they investigated eight gang-related murders in 2015 alone. These happen to be the Sanctuary county or city you are proposing for Howard county. Although I recognize that most undocumented immigrants do not engage in criminal activities, but don't you think that ONE crime is too many if it could've been prevented with proper enforcement of immigration laws?

I've also found out that there are estimated 250,000 undocumented immigrants living in Maryland. Majority of them live in Sanctuary cities. And the annual costs added to Maryland Taxpayers to support them are close to \$2 billion². On top of that, CB-9 will risk losing federal funding. Montgomery county has seen sharp tax hikes since it declared "Sanctuary" and they have seen 42% student increase in its ESOL program last year ALONE. It is OBVIOUS that CB-9 will add additional financial burden to each tax payer.

The question I have today is:

1. Why do you propose a bill to bind the hands of our police officers to keep the crime rate low in Howard County?
2. Why do you want to attract more undocumented immigrants to come live in Howard County and add more burden to the tax payers?
3. When Federal funding is cut off, do you plan to raise taxes or reduce services?

A measure to place a "Sanctuary" label only offers false sense of security and cannot prevent immigrants from being deported from federal enforcement. It just compromises local public safety. I strongly believe CB-9 will attract more undocumented criminal immigrants to Howard County and undermine the hard work of law-abiding residents. And that is why I OPPOSE CB-9 for Howard County! Thank you!

10. Topic: Trust our police department policies

I am here to remind everyone not to forget the power of “MORAL VALUES” that have kept us safe and peaceful for generations. Although today I am speaking as an individual, but I can speak on behalf of most people who are here to oppose the bill when I say that we’re not racist and we do not dislike the undocumented immigrants who live here peacefully. We have great sympathy for them as well because we ALSO have moral values and common sense.

This country has come a long way since Dr. King’s speech and many civil rights movements. Yes, Law has been put in place as a result of those movements. But BELIEVE IT OR NOT, it’s not any legislature or law enforcement that has changed so many hearts of Americans. It’s from Dr. King’s speech! It’s from stories from many suppressed minorities in the past. It’s the education from our parents, our teachers and pastors through many generations. Just like how we would teach our kids not to speak foul words or hurtful things to others, and we should do nothing but to respect one another. I have sat here since last night listening to many CB9 supporters who speak of fear from the undocumented immigrants. Let us not forget that Donald Trump had said repeatedly that his administration will ONLY deport undocumented CRIMINAL immigrants. Yes, there are bullies in this world, and there ALWAYS will be. What we teach our kids in this situation is to stand up for themselves. Do not fear! Do not wail! Channel your frustration to strength and become a better person yourself. That is the MORAL VALUES among all of us that had kept this society a secure place to live. The police chief who testified yesterday told us that the police department has always implemented a policy not to inquire immigration status to the county residents and their policy is to treat all individuals equally. Let us not insult them by saying: “Your Policy could change anytime without a written legislature”. If I am not mistaken, I believe our police officers established their department policy NOT because of any legislature, but because of their MORAL VALUES and COMMON SENSE.

Dear Council Members – We do NOT need CB9 that divides our community. You should believe in us to do the RIGHT thing because of our moral values just like how we believed in you when we placed you in this office. If you feel compelled to do SOMETHING, then launch public ads that speak true stories of undocumented immigrants who live here peacefully. As an immigrant myself, I don’t like the immigration law either. If we want to make changes, then let’s unite together and place pressure on the congress and the senate to change immigration law, but NOT introduce a bill to initiate a fight among ourselves.

Thank you!

11. Topic: Government should not do social charity which is a waste of money on taxpayers

My name is Jianning Zeng. I am here to present my strong objection to Bill CB-9.

16 years ago, I came to America from China. I got my PhD degree, and work as a system engineer. My husband is a meteorologist. As Christians, donation is our life. We follow the law of this country, and the law protects us.

I have been lived in Maryland, Baltimore County and Howard County, for more than 15 years. Through these years I have seen the fact that the undocumented immigrants in Howard County are already warmly embraced, welcomed, accepted, accommodated, treated and given many benefits.

Historically, charity and social welfare has always been done most efficiently, and compassionately through churches, volunteer organizations, local communities, and individuals, as many of us are diligently and faithfully doing now.

Our church members are involved in helping poor including undocumented people living in McDonald House and other charities in Howard County and Baltimore city. I know many local churches have free English teaching classes and free summer camps for the kids including undocumented kids. According to Giving USA and Bureau of Labor, American have given to charitable organizations almost \$400 billion or 2.1% GDP, and volunteered almost 63 million hours in 2015.

Charity begins at home and is not the purview of professional politicians!

James Madison, (one of our great nation's founding fathers) who wrote the first drafts of the U.S. Constitution and sponsored the Bill of Rights, once said, "Charity is no part of the legislative duty of the government." Those who crafted the Constitution did not intend to limit the government's role in helping less fortunate people out of mean-spirit; they did so out of a sense of what would best serve the public. They believed that bureaucrats spending other people's money – funds taken by force – is not the best way to promote charitable activities.

We have grown weary of elected politicians enacting legislation for their personal political gains or recognition. We are tired of legislators spending our money to further their political aspirations and agenda, and we are angry that elected government officials are once again ignoring the will of the people.

I urge you to vote NO to Howard County Bill-9, 2017 or we need more public hearing.

According to a 2012 Congressional Research Service report, combined annual federal and state spending on antipoverty programs exceeds one trillion dollars. These programs, are notoriously wasteful, often counterproductive and frequently motivated by political gain rather than a

sincere, intent to help people. These programs allegedly intended to assist those who are less fortunate, use monies extracted from taxpayers, dispensed by bureaucrats, and subject to rules and regulations designed by government administrators, remove personal responsibility from both the giving and receiving ends of the equation.

In addition to waste, the subsequent unintended consequences of these social engineering experiments have produced government dependency, family breakdown, and have eliminated the sense of accountability by the recipients in that they are primarily responsible for their lives.

Private charitable giving and the spirit of volunteerism have been essential bulwarks of the American character, and they remain indispensable to our national success. Can there be any doubt that a trillion dollars, derived from private sources, provided to those in need, and managed by private entities (not government) that the money would be better spent, less wasted and the recipients more benefited?

Thank you.

Jianning Zeng

12. Topic: Government should not support social charity

My name is Hongling Zhou. I am a Statistician and my husband is a Software Engineer. We have been Howard county residents for 18 years. We are the hard-working taxpayers that are the backbones of this County's revenue source. I am here to express my strong opposition to CB9.

I am an immigrant from China. I became a proud U.S. citizen after 14 years waiting in line. It was not easy, but we did it with dignity. I heard Dr. Ball on Radio saying that CB9 is intended to address concerns of foreign born residents in Howard County. I would like to tell you that this bill not only does not address any of my concerns but also created feelings of uncertainty and anxiety among many people around me.

I personally know a few undocumented immigrants. My husband and I have given materialistic and logistical help to these families. One lady in particular connected with me on personal level. She cares deeply about her children's education and the topic often comes up in our conversations. I respect her for that. I informed her that the public school has pre-K program made available first to students with disadvantaged economic status and helped her to enroll her then 4 year old daughter in the program. Through this experience, I observed what these families really need are social, health and educational services, which CB9 fails to mention. And Howard County has already made these benefits and resources available for undocumented residents.

While I agree we, the Howard County residents, should be willing to share our good fortune with the poor and the needy from the world whenever we can as individuals, I take issue with government charity forced upon taxpayers. James Madison once said, "Charity is no part of the legislative duty of the government." If this bill is enacted, it will in effect become an advertisement for more and more undocumented immigrants to come to our county, given our excellent public school systems. Can we really afford the increased cost associated with such seemingly moral high ground? Montgomery County as a Sanctuary Jurisdiction had a property tax hike of 8.7% this year. Does Howard County want to follow the suit? Mr. Weinstein, do you want to be the person who breaks the news to us on your next term? It doesn't take long for this to happen.

It is exceedingly unfair to force the cost of such government charity upon the loyal income and property taxpayers who contribute to the county's revenue.

I urge you to vote against this bill!

Sincerely,

Hongling Zhou

A letter to one sponsor of the Bill CB9

13. Topic: False humanity and charity cannot truly help the illegal immigrants

Dr. Calvin Ball,

We all heard it in the last Hearing. The woman who came across the boarder 17 years ago and had lived in the U.S. since, said, "she got nothing back from the tax she paid".

I would like to ask her, does she send her kids to public schools and libraries? Does she use all the public facilities and services? Does she drive on the roads and highways? Does she enjoy all the nice infrastructure and environment in the community? And yet she said she got nothing back?

What she and her children received in this country is far more than what she contributed.

Stunningly, we only heard words of grudges and dissatisfaction from her. We did not hear a word of gratitude from her.

I am afraid she and her children will never be able to walk out of the shadow as CB-9 promised.

CB-9 will not help this woman at all if she chooses live in a state of ignorance plus an attitude of ungratefulness and deservedness.

Sadly, FERN only pushes this woman and other clients more toward marginalized in the society, and so does CB-9.

The false concept on humanity and charity, disguised in a noble cause in this Bill, defies higher law authority and ignores the well-being of the majority.

The Bill meant to do "good" yet such "good" is done at all cost and at the expense of the majority. It will only bring harm and damages to the society as a whole.

A letter to another sponsor of the Bill CB9

14. Topic: Listen to the Police

Ms. Jen Terrasa,

We all heard it! Chief Gardner testified it. Other senior police officers testified it.

Sanctuary County! These are the two words eerie enough to chill the police's spine.

They ALL opposed the bill because they knew TOO well how dangerous it will be for the police and for the society when there is no way to keep the bad guys from coming.

We all saw it! You questioned the Chief, "Do you have a written policy? Your Policy could change anytime without a written legislature".

We were completely dismayed when you asked the Chief such things.

Are you thinking the lives of the police, at stake for doing "good" for illegal immigrants, worth far less than the vain dignity of these people you try to protect?

Aren't our police human too?

Why the kind of humanity that you intend to give to the illegal immigrants must be done at the cost of the lives of the police who are protecting us?

I must advise you, this is not humanity at all. This is inhumane and even cruel to the police and to the general public.

If a bill, with humanity intention for a few, yet brings the majority devastation, is not worth to propose. There are lots of other humanity channels for illegal immigrants. Most important of all, it is thru heart change of the society, not thru legislation, can truly bring blessings to this group of people.

If the police chief said "STOP", you'd better stop. I don't want to see a policeman dies in the hands of an illegal immigrant. I don't want to see you regret and feel guilty for the rest of your life for the decision you made today.

Please listen to your conscience. Don't betray yourself. Don't betray your integrity. A good reputation is worth more than wealth (Proverb).

I sincerely urge you, please drop the ball, and please drop the bill. You will earn the utmost respect from the society because you've protected them and because you've honored and listened to the police.

15.Topic: Listen to the policemen's professional opinions

Dear Ms. Sigaty, Mr. Weinstein and Mr. Fox:

Self introduction..... I am a proud resident of Howard County from the Chinese community. We have listened to many testimonies on January 17 and 18, and also listened to the work session on Jan. 23. Thanks to social media, the Chinese community had never been more united on issues such as what CB9 could bring upon us.

Chief Gardner and Mr. Dan Coon's testimonies have painted a very clear picture for all of us on how CB9 will hinder their normal operation to cooperate with the federal enforcement in order to apprehend possible suspect of crime or gang members. After listening to nearly 10-min statement and fact reading from the retired police officer (Mr. Martin Johnson) about 911 and the conclusion that had been drawn from the horrifying event regarding how full cooperation among Federal, State and Local enforcement is essential in preventing such tragedy from happening again, it is obvious that CB-9 could add serious risks not only to Howard County residents, but possibly someone else from neighboring counties or states.

I agree with Ms. Sigaty when she said we needed to find balance not only to treat undocumented people (non-criminals) with respect, but also not to jeopardize safety for innocent people. However, I am afraid that enacting CB9 is not the answer to this because LAW draws clear lines, but the issue we're facing is a grey area. There are no clear lines to cut. I think the judgement on how to handle undocumented immigrants should be left to the professionals (our police officers) on a case-by-case basis. Our police officers have had tremendous amount of training on how to identify suspects. They are the only professionals who know the best on how to provide community safety, not CASA or FIRN, and definitely not any immigration lawyers. **Although I admire some council members' intention to improve quality of life for the undocumented immigrants, but it should not be at the cost of any individual's life.**

We have heard a lot about MS13. MS13 originated from refugees from El Salvador and continue to prey on the young generations of this undocumented group. It is not surprising to me when I found out that the currency of El Salvador has become US dollars. The reason is because that one of the main revenue of this country is to receive money sent back by the illegal immigrants living in the U.S. Here are a few facts. Illegal immigrants residing in the U.S. send \$50 billion in remittances to their home countries each year, according to the Bureau of Economic Analysis. The World Bank estimates that number is even higher, closer to \$120B. Nearly a quarter of that money is sent to family members in El Salvador, Honduras and Guatemala. The Central American governments have encouraged the high levels of emigration because it is earning their economy billions of dollars! And Americans are the ones forced to pick up the \$113 billion tab for taking care of the country's 12 million illegal immigrants.

It is disturbing to me that Dr. Ball and Ms. Terrasa had invited so many individuals to the work session that have clear conflict of interests on this matter. Let's not forget that organizations such as CASA, FIRN and some of the immigration lawyers (such as Mr. Green and a few others) are also beneficiaries from this chain of business. And if Dr. Ball and Ms. Terrasa had received sponsorship from CASA or FIRN on their past election campaign, should I doubt their true motive on this CB9 bill?

I also wanted to share with you on a piece of news below regarding sanctuary cities. In the article, it quoted a poll that shows 74% Californians want sanctuary cities ended, 65% Hispanics, 70% of Indies, 73% Dems and 82% GOP.

<http://www.sandiegouniontribune.com/opinion/commentary/sd-utbg-sanctuary-cities-opposition-20170120-story.html>

The evidence from various sources and the testimonies is overwhelming. So PLEASE!!! Let us NOT follow the footsteps of the people who have already regretted their decision. And PLEASE vote "NO" on CB9. Thank you very much!

Sayers, Margery

From: Isabel Kadoorie <isabelyk@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 2:34 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: NO, NO, NO to CB63-2020

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Dear Council members,

I came to the United States through legal immigration process and became a naturalized US citizen more than ten years ago. Having lived in Howard County for more than 15 years, I felt strongly to protect the integrity of this County against the sanctuary bill .

I am all for sensible immigration laws, and we must make a clear distinction between legal immigration and illegal immigration.

Dear Council members, you would not encourage break-ins or play favoritism for persons who cut in the line, do you? If so, you would NOT believe in something is designed to work against the existing immigration laws.

If you truly believe our immigration laws were flawed, then you should propose a reform in the immigration laws instead of attempting to make rules and regulations at the local level in contrary to the federal laws. By supporting CB63-2020, you would betray our trust and severely undermine the safety and integrity of Howard County.

During yesterday's hearing, I heard the opposing views from each side. Overall, the people who were against CB63 were truly thinking for the wellbeing of the Howard County residents. Whereas the people who were for CB63 were making false narratives as if the immigration laws were outrageously wrong. Again, if the immigration laws were outrageously wrong, they should have fought for changing those laws instead of misusing our tax money to fund their own political agenda!

I am with many hardworking Howard County residents. Together we strongly oppose the CB63-2020. On behalf of my friends, neighbors, and colleagues, I respectfully urge you to stand up for the people and fight against this self-serving, insidious, morally corrupt County Bill 63-2020.

Sincerely yours,
Isabel Kadoorie

Sayers, Margery

From: Hui Cao <rachcao@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 2:32 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: NO to CB63

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Dear County Council members,

My name is Hui Cao, a proud, legal immigrant, a resident in Howard County for more than 14 years, and I'm writing to oppose the Sanctuary bill in Howard County. CB63 will label our county as a Sanctuary County and hence a destination of choice for illegals to come, impacting our public safety.

Yes, my biggest concern is public safety. Now those politicians want to remove SROs from our public schools, cancel county contract of detention center with ICE, even don't allow our local police officers working cooperatively with ICE, but welcome those illegal aliens to our county. It's not acceptable. Mr. Opel Jones, and others who support CB63, What do you really want to do to our county? If you welcome those illegal aliens, you are breaking our immigration laws, you are betraying your own county citizens by putting illegal aliens FIRST and county citizens LAST! This is called treason! I heard so many tragedies happened in Montgomery County. You will be fully responsible for all lives lost in those angel families, you should KNEEL before them.

Law enforcement officers are on the front lines, dealing with crime associated with illegal ALIENS, including drug- and gang- related crimes. Sanctuary practices result in dangerous criminal aliens being released back onto the streets instead of being removed.

Sanctuary practices pose a public safety and national security threat. By impeding cooperation with federal immigration officials, sanctuary cities create an environment where would-be terrorists and other criminal aliens can go undetected and uninterrupted.

Sanctuary county, providing a "safe haven" for illegal aliens, is unfair to legal immigrants who respect our nation's laws.

Again, Council members should not put Howard County residence personal life and properties under danger and threat by harboring illegal alien criminals.

If Any of our county residents become a victim like one of the angel families, you should feel Guilty and ashamed because you pass this terrible bill.

So dear councilmen and councilwomen, please vote NO to CB63.

Thanks,

Hui Cao

Howard County Resident

Sayers, Margery

From: Alice Ma <alicedma2010@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 2:21 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Strongly oppose CB63

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Dear Council members,

My name is Donghong Ma, and I am working as an IT professional.
I live in district 6 and have been a Howard County resident since 2004 .

CB63 will label our county as a Sanctuary County and hence a destination of choice for illegals to come, impacting our public safety.

CB63 will expose legal residents under FEAR & danger since they are likely to be harmed by illegal alien criminals/gangsters.

CB63 will cause extra final burden to the county thus to us - legal tax payers.

Among the above reasons, my biggest concern is public safety. Now those politicians want to remove SROs from our public schools, cancel county contracts of detention centers with ICE, even don't allow our local police officers working cooperatively with ICE, but welcome those illegal aliens to our county. It's not acceptable. Mr. Opel Jones, and others who support CB63, What do you really want to do to our county? If you welcome those illegal aliens, you are breaking our immigration laws, you are betraying your own county citizens by putting illegal aliens FIRST and county citizens LAST! This is called treason! I heard so many tragedies happened in Montgomery County. You will be fully responsible for all lives lost in those angel families, you should KNEEL before them.

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So dear councilmen and councilwomen, please vote NO to CB63.

Thank you very much in advance for reading my email and taking my opposition into account.

Donghong Ma

Sayers, Margery

From: xiaoyang chen <cxy84chenxiao@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 2:17 PM
To: CouncilMail
Cc: Mengxi Wang
Subject: Say No to CB-9

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Good evening. My name is Yang Chen. I have lived in Howard County for 10 years. I am a tax manager and my wife is a payroll specialist for Howard County. Like all hard-working middle class, we contribute a lot of income tax to support our County's operation. Here I am strongly against CB-9 because I have many fears and concerns.

My first concern is that the safety of our community will be compromised if this bill passes. this bill is a short term, temporary, and potentially dangerous solution to the much bigger issue of citizenship rather than trying to make a political move to solve this issue in some way. Under sanctuary policies, illegal immigrants can obtain all the benefits living in Howard County regardless of their citizenship. So they don't have to strive to apply for citizenship and go through all the legal steps including criminal background check, medical exam, citizenship test, etc. Lack of criminal background check is very risky. As everybody knows, background check is crucial to maintain a safe and welcoming community. Therefore, I am afraid if this bill passes, the crime rate could increase. The bill could jeopardize the safety for majority of our county's legal resident and citizens.

I am also concerned that our county will run into more fiscal trouble if the bill is passed; our schools are already running out of budget in some areas. For example, during this school year, due to the shortness of budget, my daughter's high school no longer provides text books to every student in some classes. If we continue to increase expenditure without proper management, the quality of public school education we have worked so hard to build will be no more.

In addition, another concern is that our community will become unstable. Incoming illegal immigrants will definitely increase in our county as a result of this bill. This situation will add huge financial and economic burden. It may cause depreciation in housing values and degradation of public service. On the whole, I fear this sanctuary status will make our beautiful county become unattractive for law-abiding hardworking young people when they move into our community. Please consider all of my realistic fears and concerns. We are all very vulnerable and do not want to become victims of CB-9. Please put the citizens and children of Howard County first.

Thank you,

Yang

Sent from my iPhone

Sayers, Margery

From: laura zhao <laura_gl_zhao@msn.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 2:11 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Anti-CB63

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Dear Howard County council members,

I am a residence in Howard County for over 10 years. I am an assistant professor working in the University of Maryland. I am proud to be living in such a safe and well educated county. The reason why this county is able to maintain so attractive to those who are seeking good public education and safe neighborhood because the administrators of this county cherish the legal activity and civil responsibility and obligations. Obeying laws and constitutions are what we must do. That is why we are willing to work hard, to pay high taxes, and to teach our kids the same value. As a legal immigrant, I personally don't object to love those whoever entered this country. What I object strongly is to protect those who continue doing illegal things in this country and county where Law has been enforced even to the legal citizens and immigrants. If passed, this CB63 bill would no doubtly become a sign of encouragement to those illegal immigrants. If this bill intends to protect illegal immigrants, what are going to be done to protect the legal immigrants and citizens? Chinese and Indian, for example, are willing to spend years and years before they are able to live here as permanent residence. And they represent a large group of people who follow the laws and regulations, who have been intellectually contribute to this community. For the past 10 years, I witnessed how much the Montgomery county has been changed since they passed the bill to protect the illegal immigrants. The increasing crime is one of the consequences that threaten the safety of the whole community, including the school system. The bottom line is: I do not care how you come to this country (legal or illegal). Once you are here, you need to obey the law. No one should be standing beyond the law and be protected from being punished should he/she dare to break.

So me and my family say "no" to Sanctuary Bill CB63.

Sincerely,

Guiling Zhao

Sayers, Margery

From: Shun Liu <shun.liu@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 2:08 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Government should not support social charity

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Dear Council Members,

My name is Shun Liu. I am a meteorologist and my wife is scientist. We have been Howard county residents for 16 years. We are the hard-working taxpayers that are the backbones of this County's revenue source. I am here to express my strong opposition to CB9.

I heard Dr. Ball on Radio saying that CB9 is intended to address concerns of foreign born residents in Howard County. I would like to tell you that this bill not only does not address any of my concerns but also created feelings of uncertainty and anxiety among many people around me.

I personally know a few undocumented immigrants. My husband and I have given materialistic and logistical help to these families. One lady in particular connected with me on personal level. She cares deeply about her children's education and the topic often comes up in our conversations. I respect her for that. I informed her that the public school has pre-K program made available first to students with disadvantaged economic status and helped her to enroll her then 4 year old daughter in the program. Through this experience, I observed what these families really need are social, health and educational services, which CB9 fails to mention. And Howard County has already made these benefits and resources available for undocumented residents.

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It is exceedingly unfair to force the cost of such government charity upon the loyal income and property taxpayers who contribute to the county's revenue.

I urge you to vote against this bill!

Sincerely,
Shun Liu

Sayers, Margery

From: J.Y, Yu <yujy80@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 1:54 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: NO CB63 !!!!

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BIG NO TO SANCTUARY BILL.

Jingyu Yu
Ellicott City
734—330—9914

Sayers, Margery

From: Bin Tan <bin.tan@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 1:31 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Please do NOT vote for CB-9

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My name is Bin Tan, I live in turf valley overlook in Ellicott City. I moved to Howard County 10 years ago. I love the beautiful place and the very friendly people of Howard County. Coming from Montgomery county, I want to tell you, do NOT vote for CB-9. If the bill passed, two things will happen, as I witnessed in Montgomery County: higher crime rate, and lower rating schools.

Last night I came to listen. I didn't plan to speak. But after listening to folks supporting the bill, I decided to sign up, I simply could not agree with what they said.

One person mentioned that 70% of Howard County voted against Donald Trump. And because Trump is against illegal immigration, the same 70% people must all support the bill. Wrong, that is completely wrong! I, for one, did vote against Donald Trump, but, I want to speak loud and clearly, I oppose bill CB-9. And here is why:

1. Nobody should go beyond our law. Not you, not me, not someone from other countries. The United States is a great country and Howard County is the place we call home. We love our country and our county. Why? Because this is a place law is respected and things are in order. Illegal immigrants are illegal, they came to our country illegally. They broke our law first, why should we put their interest above ours? The immigration law was put in place to protect us, if it needs to be amended, let's work together at the federal level, through the legal route. The CB-9 bill does not serve that purpose, rather, it'll open a flood gate, calling all illegal immigrants to come here. That is not what we need and that is not what we want.
2. There is a difference between legal immigrants and illegal immigrants. Mind you, I am an immigrant, a legal immigrant. Please don't mix up us with illegal immigrants. The CB-9 bill wants to think that we are all the same, but we are NOT. We, the legal ones, followed the law, worked every step of the way to become US citizens. It took us years to gain the permanent residence status. And, we don't have any fear, we didn't break our law. What are we afraid of?
3. One person claimed that statistics showed crime rate is lower among immigrants. Yes, that is true for the legal immigrants. But I DOUBT that is true among illegal immigrants. Before we can have solid data, let's be cautious and protect our lawful citizens first.



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TO TESTIFY ON BEHALF OF AN ORGANIZATION

I, Eric Lopez, have been duly authorized by
(name of individual)

Capital Area Immigrants' Rights Coalition to deliver testimony to the
(name of nonprofit organization or government board, commission, or task force)

County Council regarding **CB63-2020** to express the organization's
(bill or resolution number)

support for / opposition to / request to amend this legislation.
(Please circle one.)

Printed Name: Eric Lopez

Signature: _____

Date: 11/16/2020

Organization: Capital Area Immigrants' Rights Coalition

Organization Address: Baltimore MD 21201

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FRIENDS OF LATIN AMERICA to deliver testimony to the
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Printed Name: LESLIE P. SALGADO

Signature: Leslie P. Salgado

Date: 11/16/20

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CB63-20 (Liberty Bill) Testimony on November 16, 2020 7pm

Good Evening,

Esteemed members of the Howard County Council and my fellow community members.

My name is Sheila Jennifer and I am a 30+ year resident of Columbia Maryland. I am also a strong proponent of diversity having produced a documentary on Columbia entitled "Promise of Colors" which looks at James Rouse's vision for this city. I also initiated our community's Dialogue on Diversity. So in speaking Against CB 63-20 I would hope this will not make me an adversary of diversity.

Specifically, would our already over tasked teachers be in conflict with the provision of this bill that states "no inquiries about citizenship" if a student shares voluntarily information about injuries sustained as an illegal immigrant i.e through child trafficking, non immunization, homelessness?

Does this bill provide an unfair advantage over our legal naturalized citizens?

Does it undermine the legal naturalization process?

Previously Howard County Corrections Director, Jack Kavanaugh, has stated that Immigration and Customs Enforcement Protects our community by detaining felons, criminal gang members, deported felons, drug offenders and rapists. Who is contesting our community safety?

If this bill enables increased fiscal responsibility for illegal immigration, already burgeoning at 1.7 billion in Maryland according to FAIR estimates, who pays for the cost? CASA? Taxpayers? Can anyone foresee litigation fees for violations of the 287(g) detention program?

If legal citizens, especially our children and minority communities are already suffering from under performing schools with stagnant test scores and disparate

employment why take on this agenda? What happened to the commitment to improve the minority achievement gap Dr. Opel?

Kindly make community safety, supporting our taxpayers, and fairness to all citizens the top priority as you consider Against passing CB 63-20.

Sincerely,

Sheila Jennifer

Sayers, Margery

From: Nancy Shih <shih4500-nancy@yahoo.com>
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To: CouncilMail
Subject: Oppose CB63

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Dear Council members,

I live in D2 and I want to ask **Open Jones:**

Why do you put illegal aliens ABOVE legal residents?

Are you serving illegal aliens rather than legal residents?

Do you know your job as a council member is to protect county residents' safety & enhance their well-being? Why are you doing the OPPOSITE?

Why do you expose legal residents under FEAR & danger because they are likely to be harmed by illegal alien criminals/gangsters?

Do you know that all legal immigrants have gone thru years of VETTING process - criminal background check, finger print, etc. but illegal aliens have NONE? And do you know how dangerous that is without vetting?

Do you know all sanctuary cities have suffered higher drug/rape/murder crimes? It's a fact! Don't deny it! You need to educate yourself!

If you don't know the answers and don't know your job, you need to **drop CB63!** Please stop HURTING our county legal residents!

County residents should always be FIRST, not illegal aliens!
KNOW YOUR JOB!

Thank you.

Nancy Shih
D2 resident

Sayers, Margery

From: Jianning zeng <jnzeng@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 16, 2020 10:06 PM
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Dear County Council members,

My name is Jianning Zeng, a PhD in astrophysics, a proud, legal immigrant, a resident in Howard County for more than 12 years, and this is the third time here to oppose the Sanctuary bill in Howard County. CB63 will label our county as a Sanctuary County and hence a destination of choice for illegals to come, impacting our public safety.

Yes, my biggest concern is public safety. Now those politicians want to remove SROs from our public schools, cancel county contract of detention center with ICE, even don't allow our local police officers working cooperatively with ICE, but welcome those illegal aliens to our county. It's not acceptable. Mr. Opel Jones, and others who support CB63, What do you really want to do to our county? If you welcome those illegal aliens, you are breaking our immigration laws, you are betraying your own county citizens by putting illegal aliens FIRST and county citizens LAST! This is called treason! I heard so many tragedies happened in Montgomery County. You will be fully responsible for all lives lost in those angel families, you should KNEEL before them.

Law enforcement officers are on the front lines, dealing with crime associated with illegal ALIENS, including drug- and gang- related crimes. Sanctuary practices result in dangerous criminal aliens being released back onto the streets instead of being removed.

Sanctuary practices pose a public safety and national security threat. By impeding cooperation with federal immigration officials, sanctuary cities create an environment where would-be terrorists and other criminal aliens can go undetected and uninterrupted.

Sanctuary county, providing a "safe haven" for illegal aliens, is unfair to legal immigrants who respect our nation's laws.

Again, Council members should not put Howard County residence personal life and properties under danger and threat by harboring illegal alien criminals.

If Any of our county residents become a victim like one of the angel families, you should feel Guilty and ashamed because you pass this terrible bill.

So dear councilmen and councilwomen, please vote NO to CB63.

Thanks,

Jianning Zeng

Howard County Resident

Sayers, Margery

From: Matthew Molyett <matthew@molyett.com>
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Good evening. Thank you for allowing me to speak tonight in favor of CB63. I am District 1 resident Matthew Molyett of Ellicott City.

The first thing I would like to draw attention to is the explicit support for existing or future State or Federal Laws. This does not weaken our Police Department when investigating criminal offenses. This bill will not make the residents of Howard County any less safe.

Passing this will ensure that no future executive or department leadership will implement policies that enter the County into the business of immigration enforcement. This will ensure that all of our neighbors can engage on equal footing with our county civil servants. Citizenship status plays no role in whether our neighbors are people.

The People of Howard County, all of them, make up our community. Please ensure the safety and wellbeing of our people. Please enshrine these limitations in the County Code as a promise to our People for now and for all of the future.

If you would, please allow me a moment to speak directly to my representative on the Council, Member Walsh.

Council Vice Chairperson Walsh, you know me. To quote my letter to you from this summer "I, and many of your other voters, expected you to use the seat differently than your predecessor did when he refused to support Councilmember Ball's CB-9. Please reintroduce the bill as previously passed."

We voted for you because we expected D1 to support D2 in passing this bill. Frankly, it has already been disappointing that we had to wait so long for this introduction. You were elected to replace the disgraceful vote on CB09-2017, and we expected you to be the member who introduced it.

Please support CB63 and, to the whole Council, pass it unanimously. Thank you.

Thank you,
Matthew Molyett
443-598-2441

Sayers, Margery

From: Greg Razzano <greg.razzano@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 16, 2020 7:27 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Support for CB-63

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Good morning,

As a resident of Howard County in Hickory Ridge, Columbia, I call on the council to pass CB-63, helping to stop the discrimination and targeting of our residents based on immigration status. Let's loudly and publicly protect our community from the overreach of ICE and others who pursue ethnocentric ends.

Thankfully yours,
Greg Razzano
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Music Therapist
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Sayers, Margery

From: diana.cullum@verizon.net
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To: CouncilMail
Subject: sanctuary county

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I am opposed of this county becoming a county that illegal immigrants can hide in from ICE. I am a law abiding citizen and have a problem with individuals coming here illegally. There is a process and I know many that have done the process. I have no problem with that but not allowing ICE or the federal none access to the information or person that is here illegally I do have a problem.

Diana Cullum
Western Howard County
4104425849 (h)

Testimony to County Council in Support of CB63-2020, Daniel Newberger, Nov. 16, 2020

Good evening. My name is Daniel Newberger, I live in District 4.

Our country is a mess right now, overflowing with fear and hate and distrust and general misery. It's 2020 in America.

Like the deadly virus that has sickened so many bodies, the Trump Administration is a disease that has poisoned our country's soul. Those in the executive branch who willingly carried out the president's immoral agenda have sullied this country in ways that may never be fully repaired. In particular, officials within DHS and ICE have committed terrible acts of cruelty and hatred against those families and individuals who have sought refuge in the promise of America.

Come January, this administration will end, but it will take years for the nation's institutions and norms of decency and democracy and human rights to be repaired. Now is the time to ensure that here in Howard County, our county-level institutions and norms are strong enough to withstand any future challenges we may face.

Just as we must continually maintain and strengthen the physical infrastructure of the county—its roads, its sewers, its electrical grid—we also must strengthen the county's moral infrastructure. Passing CB63 is an important step towards that end. This bill is a chance to make life better for the most vulnerable of our fellow residents in Howard County, to remove some degree of fear from the lives of our undocumented neighbors.

Howard County can become anything and everything we hope it to be. Howard County can be the best of America. Howard County can lead the way in restoring our national soul. We are limited only by our belief in what is possible and our determination to make it happen.

At the very least, Howard County can and should become a place where everyone can live without fear. CB63 will help make that happen. Please pass this bill.

November 16, 2020

Howard County Government – Oppose CB63-2020

In breaking down this bill and some of its implications, the bill is vague and misleading. "Requiring that certain information related to citizenship status be kept confidential". In other words hidden from community scrutiny and exposure? "Prohibiting certain discrimination based on immigration status" and "generally relating to human rights in Howard County". Illegal immigrants have access to equal protection and due process but this does not negate the fact that they are subject to deportation every day that they are in this country illegally. This bill wants to interfere with the federal process of verifying who is in this country illegally. You, members of the Howard County Council, are not put in office to use taxpayer dollars to flagrantly thumb your collective noses at federal law. This attitude by itself manifests a disregard for law and order. Who are you to preempt federal law? "Requiring specified officials to take actions under certain circumstances". What does that even mean? We will/will not investigate or help investigate criminal activity? Circle one. So much of the criminal activity in foreign communities is illegal alien on illegal alien crime and goes unreported. Are you really putting the safety of illegal aliens first in this bill?

Under fiscal impact it is stated that the "fiscal impact of this legislation cannot be determined at this time". Okay, well you're on the Howard County Council and you can't even provide an estimate? Is \$10,000 to 1 million a ball park figure? It is stated that JAG funds could be affected. Well isn't your bill putting American citizens in need of "heroin and opioid addiction treatment" behind the needs of illegal aliens? People in this country have paid taxes for generation upon generation, including addicts, and they don't even get help to go to the dentist!

In September 2019 a rare event occurred in Montgomery County Maryland. There was actually a rally questioning the criminal process involving illegal immigrants. I live in Montgomery County where our county council has rolled out the red carpet to illegal alien criminal activity making all of Maryland quite a dangerous state in which to live. The state of Maryland has the second highest number of MS13 criminal cases in the nation. This rally was rare because Marylanders do not often get the chance to demonstrate their opinions on illegal immigration. Throngs of people showed up to support the rally. WHY? Because despite your opinion, your fluff, "Howard County is comprised of immigrants...who contribute to our community's social vitality, cultural richness, and economic strength", the rest of us want VERIFICATION REGARDING WHO IS HERE LEGALLY AND ILLEGALLY! CB63-2020 will be a lure to illegal alien criminals making us all less safe. This bill will cut into federal monies owed to Marylanders. Finally the majority of Americans when polled want federal law regarding illegal aliens to be ENFORCED!

Margaret Montuori

Member – Help Save Maryland, P.O. Box 5742 Rockville, MD 20855

Sayers, Margery

From: Jung, Deb
Sent: Monday, November 16, 2020 3:29 PM
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Deb Jung

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Subject: CB63-2020

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November 16, 2020

Howard County Council
George Howard Building
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Ellicott City, MD 21043

Re: CB63-2020

The Honorable Councilman David Yungmann,

The passage of the above-referenced bill is likely a foregone conclusion, nevertheless, I urge you to vote "No" on Bill No. 63-2020.

It's my understanding that it is already Howard County policy that our police do not inquire as to a person's citizenship status and do not pursue immigrants who have entered this country illegally. It appears the only goal of this bill is to officially put Howard County on the "sanctuary county" map. The logical conclusion is it will encourage even more of an influx of population to our popular county, increasing the load on our already overcrowded schools and our roads that have not kept pace with overdevelopment.

If these practices are already in place, why is it necessary to put them into county law?

What consideration has been given to what this official designation will do to the county's resources (e.g., schools, roads, emergency services)?

Has any investigation been done into what effect this designation has had on Baltimore City, Montgomery County, and Prince George's County?

Again, I urge you to vote "No" on Bill No. 63-2020.

Sincerely,
Beth Daniel
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Ellicott City, MD 21042

cc: Opel Jones, Deb Jung, Christiana Rigby, Liz Walsh

Sayers, Margery

From: Williams, China
Sent: Monday, November 16, 2020 3:28 PM
To: Sayers, Margery
Subject: FW: Concerning CB63-2020 - Please Read Attached Washington Post Article
Attachments: Howard Cnty Illegal Alien Murderer.pdf; Frederick Burger King Murder - MyFox - 10-29-2011.doc; Six illegal aliens arrested for Maryland gang rape 3-19-10.doc; Third trial set to start in slashing of three children - Balt Sun 03-10-13.doc

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Subject: Concerning CB63-2020 - Please Read Attached Washington Post Article

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This email is to the Howard County Council Members and their Special Assistants and District Aides regarding CB63-2020, which provides illegal aliens the same benefits, opportunities, and services as the county's legal residents. As a rational, logical, and level-headed person I say "why would anyone want to give these taxpayer-funded privileges to someone who is working in this country illegally, getting paid 'under the table', and not paying taxes."

As a cynical Frederick County citizen I read the attached Washington Post article (PDF file) and say "let the Howard County politicians and citizens attract the un-vetted illegal aliens to their county, and away from my county, so these illegals can commit their crimes in their county." Unfortunately other crimes by illegal aliens have been occurring in surrounding counties, as documented in the attached MS Word articles.

Lets face it, the illegal aliens are here to look for a better life.

They are looking out for number one, which is themselves. There idea of a better life may be only to get a better job and take that job away from an American citizen, or they may be here to ultimately destroy what many Muslims call "the great Satan", which is America.

The choice is up to you about how you want to protect your citizens when considering CB63-2020 and other legislation that gives benefits to, and protects, criminal illegal aliens.

Sincerely,

John Masterson

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Howard County

Washington Post 11/30/06

Nov. 30, 2006

Crash Suspect Had Feb. Charge Police Faulted After Earlier Drunken Driving Case Dropped

By AMIT R. PALY
Washington Post Staff Writer

The man accused of killing a Marine in a drunken driving accident on Thanksgiving was charged with drunken driving earlier this year, but the case was dropped because Howard County police did not collect enough evidence, prosecutors said yesterday.

Prosecutors also said a police blunder allowed the man, Eduardo Raul Morales-Soriano, 25, of Laurel, to keep his driver's license after the Feb. 5 incident, although it should have been suspended immediately after he refused to take a breath test.

Police have opened an internal investigation to review the performance of the officers involved and determine whether they could have built a stronger case, said police spokeswoman Sherry Llewellyn. She declined to comment further.

Federal authorities determined yesterday that Morales-Soriano was an illegal immigrant from Mexico and filed papers to begin deportation proceedings, said James Dinkins, acting special agent in charge of U.S. Immigration and Customs En-

forcement's Baltimore office.

Morales-Soriano was charged last week in the deaths of Marine Cpl. Brian Matthews, a 21-year-old Columbia native who spent eight months in Iraq, and Matthews's date, Jennifer Bower, 24, of Montgomery Village. Police said Morales-Soriano's blood alcohol level was four times the legal limit when he slumped into the back of the car carrying the couple.

Morales-Soriano's February charge was first reported yesterday in the Baltimore Sun.

Authorities have alleged that Morales-Soriano was intoxicated the night of Feb. 5. Police smelled alcohol on his breath and saw three beer cans in his vehicle, said Howard County State's Attorney Timothy J. McCrone. He said Morales-Soriano lost his balance as officers asked him to begin a field sobriety test.

But for undetermined reasons, the officers stopped him from completing the test, McCrone said. "I don't know what was on the minds of the officers at the time," he said. "It certainly helps prove the case if you have field sobriety exercises."

Morales-Soriano then refused to

take a breath test, which should have led to the suspension of his license for 120 days. But the police accidentally gave Morales-Soriano all the copies of the form that was supposed to have been sent to the Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration to begin the suspension, McCrone said.

"The information was never transmitted to the MVA," said Buel Young, an agency spokesman. "We have no idea of knowing he is even stopped unless the police tell us."

Morales-Soriano, a landscaper, moved to Maryland about a year ago from North Carolina, according to court and state records. A woman who answered the phone at his home yesterday said the family would not comment.

Although police charged him in February with four counts related to drunken driving, the case was dropped in April after prosecutors determined that they could not obtain a conviction. There were no witnesses who saw him driving drunk, no field sobriety test and no form showing that he had refused a breath test, McCrone said.

"We need evidence to prove our cases," he said. "We didn't have it."

<http://www.myfoxdc.com/dpp/news/local/suspect-charged-in-murder-at-burger-king-in-frederick-102811>

Suspect Charged in Murder At Burger King in Frederick

Updated: Friday, 28 Oct 2011, 6:22 PM EDT

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By JOHN HENREHAN/ myfoxdc

FREDERICK, Md. - Seven months after the murder of an assistant manager at the Burger King restaurant in Frederick, Md., police have announced that charges have been filed against a suspect.

Jose Reyes Mejia-Varela, 21, is charged with murder and armed robbery. Investigators say he was a former employee of the restaurant, and was in the U.S. illegally for a second time.

The shooting in the restaurant occurred on March 18th. Assistant manager Jacinta "Patty" Ayala was found dead around 5:30 that morning. She was preparing to open the Burger King. Ayala, 32, was the mother of three children.

Authorities say the suspect had been in trouble with the law before. Mejia-Varela was arrested for attempted robbery in Frederick County in 2008, according to investigators. He was brought before a federal judge on a charge of being in the U.S. illegally, and was deported to his native El Salvador.

The suspect managed to get back into the U.S., and, according to a source familiar with the investigation, used a phony name to get a job at the Burger King restaurant in Frederick. He left that job some time before the shooting, but police say the victim and suspect knew each other from working together at the restaurant.

Federal agent Thomas White, who works for ICE (Immigration and Customs Enforcement) interviewed Mejia-Varela. "He came back to Frederick just to live, he told me," White explained to reporters. "His family is here. And he just came back to be with his family."

The suspect is currently in federal custody on a charge of (again) being in the U.S. illegally. He could get prison time for that. A federal judge will sentence Jose Reyes Mejia-Varela on November 3rd. He then will be brought back to Frederick to face murder and armed robbery charges in connection with the killing at the Burger King.

Six illegal aliens arrested for Maryland gang rape

<http://www.examiner.com/immigration-reform-in-national/six-illegal-aliens-arrested-for-maryland-gang-rape>

- March 19th, 2010 3:26 am ET
- By [Dave Gibson](#), Immigration Reform Examiner



On Tuesday, deputies in Charles County, MD arrested six illegal aliens in their residence on Nicholas Road. Detectives say the men are responsible for a gang rape which lasted several hours, which ended when the victim was able to escape her attackers.

Detectives from the Special Victims Unit said that the woman met one of the men the night before, at an Alexandria, Va. nightclub. The man offered to drive her home, and she accepted.

Once in the car, she found several other men already in the vehicle. Instead of taking her to her home in Va., he drove her to his own residence which he shared with more than 12 other illegal aliens.

According to investigators, the men forced her inside and proceeded to rape and sodomize her for several hours.

Sometime before 5:30 a.m., the woman managed to escape the residence, and ran to a nearby home for assistance. Deputies from the Charles County Sheriff's Office responded and the woman was taken to Civista Medial Center for treatment.

Deputies immediately went to the location of the reported rape, and found many of the alleged attackers. However, detectives are still looking for additional suspects who fled the residence that morning.

Immigration and Customs Enforcement is assisting in the ongoing investigation.

The following individuals have been charged with first-degree rape and false imprisonment, and are now in custody:

- Henry Misael Hernandez-Ramos, 20
- Adelio Orellana Cruz, 28
- Ivan Urillas-Hernandez, 21
- Ismael Echeverria Montoya, 27
- Jose Omar Hernandez-Orellana, 20
- Juan Carlos Santa-Maria, 18

Anyone with information leading to the whereabouts of anyone involved in this crime is asked to call Charles County Crime Solvers at 1-866-411-TIPS.

<http://www.baltimoresun.com/news/maryland/crime/blog/bs-md-ci-beheading-third-trial-20130310,0,1530106,full.story>

Third trial set to start in slashing of three children's throats

Side by side for many years, men accused of killings will go to trial separately

By Ian Duncan, The Baltimore Sun

Policarpio Espinoza Perez and Adan Canela have been mentioned in the same breath since they were charged nine years ago in Baltimore with slashing the throats of three young relatives, ages 8, 9 and 10. They have sat side-by-side at two trials, but as prosecutors this week make a third try at convicting them, each man will get a chance to tell his own story.

The change could allow the defendants to challenge the prosecution's theory that they were both involved in the Northwest Baltimore murders — another hurdle for a prosecution already without key pieces of evidence from the last trial seven years ago.

E. Wesley Adams III, a former Baltimore homicide prosecutor who was not involved in the case, said it is generally more difficult to convict defendants separately. "It's like watching a TV show with only one character."

Perez, 31, an uncle of two of the victims, will begin his trial Monday. Canela, 26, a cousin of theirs, is scheduled to face a jury later this spring.

The illegal immigrants from Mexico are accused of brutally murdering Lucero Espinoza, 8, her brother Ricardo Espinoza, 9, and their cousin Alexis Espejo Quezada, 10, at their apartment in the 7000 block of Park Heights Ave. in 2004.

The bizarre case captured the region's attention and focused on a complex family tree with roots in a small Mexican town. Defendants, witnesses and victims share common relatives — some here and some abroad — making it harder for investigators to untangle what happened on the day the children died.

The men's lawyers say the separate trials will allow them to shed new light on parts of a story that has eluded explanation for years.

"For the first time everyone's going to hear exactly what my client said," said Nicholas Panteleakis, Perez's attorney, referring to a police interview in which his client claims never to have entered the apartment where the children were nearly beheaded.

Police arriving on the scene later described it as one of the most gruesome they had ever encountered.

Officers soon found a 10-inch knife they believed was used in the crime, and a neighbor picked out Canela and Perez at the scene, saying she'd seen them acting suspiciously near the apartment a few days before. Subsequent searches turned up what police said was bloodied clothing.

But confusion about the evidence left jurors unable to agree on a verdict the first time the case came to trial in 2005. The Baltimore State's Attorney's Office tried again the following year, securing convictions that were overturned because of judicial errors.

Canela's lawyer, Brian J. Murphy, said he thinks the evidence has always been weaker against his client and that the juries will now have a chance to weigh the case of each man more carefully.

"Even though the jury's supposed to consider each one separately it's hard to do," he said. "You're sitting in the same boat."

The state's attorney's office declined to comment on the case, following its usual policy.

But Tony Garcia, a former prosecutor who handled the first two trials, said securing a conviction has become "harder, but it's not impossible."

Lawyers for Perez and Canela won a number of pretrial rulings to have prosecution evidence — including much of the DNA used last time — barred. Guadalupe Juarez Hernandez, a key witness, is now in prison in Mexico, convicted of arranging the murder of her husband Victor Espinoza Perez, and it is unclear whether she will be available at trial.

Garcia said prosecutors will have to be creative in constructing a narrative around the killings without Hernandez. He relied heavily on her testimony during the last trial.

"She is extremely important to the case," he added. "She is the center of the wheel, everything else is a spoke from her."

On top of that, prosecutors will have to deal with the added workload of trying the case twice, back-to-back.

Perez and Canela have been linked since the neighbor identified both of them, and Garcia said the evidence suggested that both men were present during the killings. But prosecutors have never been able to conclusively establish a motive for the attacks.

In the vacuum, theories have flourished. At trial Garcia suggested romantic jealousies in the large family. Panteleakis proposed in an interview that the crime led back to a vengeful figure in Mexico and said his client was not connected.

The two men were quickly arrested and charged with the May 27 killings. But Noemi "Mimi" Quezada and Ricardo Espinoza Perez, the parents of Lucero and Ricardo, have consistently said they think the two are innocent and, like many of the witnesses, they are expected to be called for both the prosecution and the defense.

The couple has been working with Panteleakis to gather evidence for the third trial. Friday morning, Ricardo Perez came by the lawyer's office to drop off clothes for Policarpio Perez, his brother, to wear in court. He declined to be interviewed.

Shortly after being taken into custody, Policarpio Perez told police that he was never inside the apartment where the children were killed, according charging documents in the case. He said he dropped Canela off and waited outside.

The statement has only been presented at the previous trials in heavily redacted form because attorneys for Canela could not question Policarpio Perez to challenge his accusation. Panteleakis said that gave an "inaccurate" picture of Perez's actions, but it can now be introduced in full.

"It's going to make a lot more sense," he added.

Murphy said the full statement will not be used in Canela's trial and does not think Panteleakis's strategy will harm him.

Panteleakis also said he thinks more will be revealed about the relationship between Alexis Quezada's mother, Maria Andrea Espejo Quezada, and her husband. At the second trial, Noemi Quezada reluctantly told the judge that he had made threats against the family, but the testimony caught lawyers off guard and was only presented to the jury in general terms.

In the second trial, prosecutors suggested that Guadalupe Hernandez, Canela's stepmother and Perez's sister-in-law, might have orchestrated the killings to get revenge on Victor Perez for having an affair.

To advance the theory, prosecutors introduced phone records that they said showed Hernandez was in constant communication with Policarpio Perez that day in May. Even though Hernandez is imprisoned, Judge M. Brooke Murdock ruled that her prior testimony could not be used, making it hard for prosecutors to make good use of those records, according to Garcia.

Panteleakis and Murphy, perhaps not surprisingly, thought Murdock had ruled fairly.

"As the unreliable evidence has been winnowed down or excluded the case against both of them really gets weaker," Murphy said. "The reason it's a weak case is because they didn't do it.

"It's sort of simple."

Sayers, Margery

From: Matthew Antonicelli <antonicelli@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, October 26, 2020 10:23 PM
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Subject: Liberty Act Press Release 10.22.20

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Honorable Legislators of Hoard County,

You have gone over the line in sponsoring this bill that purposely ignores our national laws on immigration. I understand that you think you are being compassionate, but undermining our federal laws promotes lawlessness. Illegal immigration should be managed. These laws have been created and enforced over many different administrations included Pres Obama's. For whatever good your intentions, there will also be negative ramifications. You are hurting the working class with the encouragement of cheap labor. You are also promoting lawlessness since it appears Howard County only needs to abide by the laws we personally like. Not the type of community(lawless) I feel is safe for my family.

I hope you seriously consider postponing this ill conceived legislation until after the election. There will be a new occupant in the white house and you should negotiate and collaborate via legal means with the federal government.

Sincerely,

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Sayers, Margery

From: Tony Ashdown <ashd00@verizon.net>
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Subject: Re: Councilmember Jones announces the "Liberty Act" - 10/22/20 Not just "No" but "Hell NO!"

Importance: High

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Monday, October 26, 2020

Didn't you take an Oath of Office to follow the laws of the United States & Maryland?

See below Rule 1.001(f) as a simple reminder.

Also, your use of semantics is misleading and insincere. Simply persons in this country illegally are in violation of our laws and need to be deported...no matter what color, ethnicity or national origin. They ARE NOT citizens of our Country, the State or this County.

You use the term "inclusion" as justification. If you want inclusion, make English the standard language and assimilation mandatory in your "Act."

By taking this action with CB63-2020 you and your fellow Democrats further erode the remaining trust we have in our elected representatives along with the sovereignty of our Nation.

When you mentioned, "Protecting Personal and public safety for residents..." in your 10/22 announcement, shouldn't you have used the term "citizens?" That's what you were put in office for. Not too waste time, resources and taxpayer dollars on non-citizens, or illegal resident guests.

No one forced illegals to "live in the shadows." They made a conscience choice to violate our laws and come into our Country, State and County. They make a conscious choice daily, a willful decision, to live in the shadows to avoid the consequences of their actions. And, yet you expect them to come forward and take advantage of the County's taxpayer funded resources when we seniors have to pay high property taxes, utility bills and provide child care and teaching for our grandchildren.

We've had enough of your, County Executive Ball's attempt at coddling these guests in our Country. The advocacy groups supporting this further attempt to devalue American Citizenship and to demonize our Country has got to be recognized for its real intent and stopped.

If you want to help these guests become more valued members of our Society help immerse them in our culture and freedoms so they can then identify as Americans and appreciate the value of the Rule of Law of a civilized society. Simply we must be and ARE a nation of laws, no longer just a nation of immigrants that brought our nation in to being many years ago.

Aside from devaluing American citizenship and rights, what you're proposing does nothing to really fix our puzzle of broken, confusing immigration laws. No one is above the law. Violators of the law (and oath of office) need to be held accountable.

Rule 1.001(f)

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Tony & Linda Ashdown
Elkridge

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According to recent studies, some citizens are hesitant to communicate with local government agencies, participate in civic engagements, or apply for community resources due to their immigration status. These challenges impact all citizens, especially in the County's effort to provide a safer and more inclusive community.

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Illegal immigrants should not be granted or be allowed to get preferential treatment. If they commit crimes or even if they don't they should not be allowed to be treated the same as legal immigrant. Why should citizens who obey the law have to suffer consequences from illegal immigrants,. We the taxpayers are fed up with the ultra-liberal politicians who earn better salaries than the people who have to pay to sustain illegal immigrants and also those who commit crimes against law-abiding citizens. Discrimination here is against law-abiding citizens.

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Hidden in this proposal is an attempt to diminish the value of citizenship. If passed this will allow infiltration of cultural values which are not consistent with American values. Inquiring ones Citizenship and immigration status is not a discriminatory practice in hiring and determining qualifications for benefits that hardworking taxpayers have supported.

Laws already exist that prevent discriminatory policies and practices.

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