

Dear Members of the Judiciary Committee,

This testimony is being submitted by Showing Up for Racial Justice Baltimore, a group of white folks working as part of a multi-racial movement for equity and racial justice in Baltimore City and Baltimore County. I am a resident of MD District 12. I am on the board of directors for the League of Women Voters, Baltimore County. I am **testifying against HB 671**.



HB 671 allows a subset of records related to investigations into police misconduct to be disclosed under the Maryland Public Information Act. While we are in full support of the disclosure of details of internal investigations of police misconduct and brutality, we find that this bill is insufficient in disclosing all information necessary to ensure meaningful and consistent police accountability, especially given the opportunity to pass a more holistic bill in Anton's Law (House Bill 120 and Senate Bill 178).

It is for these reasons that I am encouraging you to **vote against HB 671** and instead support a better alternative in Anton's Law (House Bill 120/SB 178).

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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