



BILL: HB0211

BILL TITLE: Election Law - Early Voting Centers - Days of Operation

BILL SPONSOR: Delegate Bhandari

COMMITTEE: Ways and Means

POSITION: FAVORABLE

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TESTIMONY IN FAVOR OF HB0211

Cristi Demnowicz, Chair

Represent Maryland

Honorable Chair Kaiser, Vice-Chair Washington, and members of the committee-

In a country that claims to practice democracy, giving citizens additional access to vote should be applauded.

In 2021, many voters find themselves working 2-3 jobs just to make ends meet. It's not uncommon for a working person to not have a day off for 7 or 10 days in a row. This can preclude them from voting in the current timeframe.

HB0211 will increase access to the people for whom voting is often a matter of life and death.

Please find the bill favorable.

Sincerely,
Cristi Demnowicz
Chair
Represent Maryland
Maryland Voter-LD07

Represent Maryland is a grassroots anti-corruption group of citizen advocates that #FightForDemocracy in Maryland. Our democracy solutions include: Public Election Funds, Independent Redistricting, Special Elections, Ranked Choice Voting, Increased Ethics and Transparency, and Increased Voter Participation.

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