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**Senate Bill 136**  
College of Southern Maryland - Charles County  
Campus - Transition to Charles County  
Community College  
**Unfavorable**

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Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee  
2 West Miller Senate Office Building  
11 Bladen Street  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

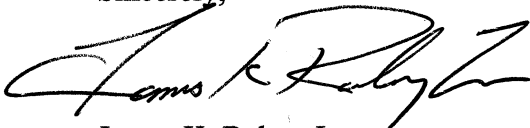
Dear Committee Members,

I am writing in opposition to Senate Bill 136—College of Southern Maryland—Charles County Campus Transition to Charles County Community College.

I am a graduate of the Charles County Community College, which was the precursor institution to the College of Southern Maryland. I had the honor to serve for 10 years as a member of the College of Southern Maryland Board of Trustees, holding the positions of Board Member, Vice Chairperson, and Chairperson, during my tenure. In my opinion, and based on the institutional knowledge that I have regarding the college, I submit that SB 136 is not in the best interest of the students or taxpayers in Southern Maryland. Dismantling the College of Southern Maryland would decrease access to students, create unnecessary and costly duplication of administrative services and educational programs, add to the tax burden of all three counties, and undermine the articulation agreements the college has with other institutions of higher learning.

I ask that the members of the Senate Committee for Education, Health and Environmental Affairs give SB 136 an unfavorable report.

Sincerely,



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Trustee Emeritus  
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Cc: Dr. Maureen Murphy, President, CSM