

MARYLAND ALLIANCE FOR JUSTICE REFORM

Working to end unnecessary incarceration and build strong, safe communities



Policy Action Alert – March 28, 2019

If you are getting this email, it's because you live in Bobby Zirkin's district.

ACTION ALERT – Call and Email TODAY!

HB 1002 was voted unanimously out of the House Judiciary Committee today and is now headed to the Senate.

WE NEED YOUR HELP to make sure that the Chair of the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee, Bobby Zirkin, schedules HB1002 for a hearing and a vote.

Call Senator Bobby Zirkin **RIGHT NOW** at (410) 841-3131 **and** email him at bobby.zirkin@senate.state.md.us and tell him you support HB1002 and want this bill to move through the Senate. If you can't speak to a member of his staff, please make sure you leave a message:

Example Email/Call Script:

Dear Senator Zirkin,

My name is _____ and I am a constituent of your district. I am calling/emailing to urge you to support HB 1002 when it comes over from the House.

This bill is GOOD Legislation and SOUND Public Policy. In fact, DPSCS offered NO opposition to this bill and this bill has NO fiscal note. This bill ensures that inmates in restrictive housing and are 6 months from their release date are not denied access to transitional coordinators or case managers in preparation for their return to our communities.

To not support this bill is to ignore a potential public safety **THREAT**.

Senator Zirkin I urge your support of HB 1002 – please schedule this bill for a hearing and make sure it gets a vote.

Thank you,

Your call or email can make the difference to improve public safety, strengthen our communities and save taxpayer funds! Please call or email as soon as you are able to do so! If you have questions or want to report back with your legislator's response, please contact pcaroom@gmail.com. Thanks for considering this request!

-Phil Caroom
MAJR executive committee

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