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The Honorable Delegate Anne R. Kaiser, Chair
Ways and Means Committee
Room 131
House Office Building
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Re: HB1357: Calvert County Board of Education - Public Meetings - Public Comment

Delegate Kaiser,

I write on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert County with regard to HB1357, which requires the Calvert County Board of Education to provide an opportunity for the public to comment on certain matters at each public meeting. We fully support creating opportunities for public participation, comment, and reflection in local government and education. The perspectives offered by the public have proven to us to be invaluable in decision and policy-making, and have led to a better understanding of positions following respectful discussion and debate amongst Board members following public comments. Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact County Administrator Julian M. Willis at 410-535-1600, ext. 2202, or County Attorney John Norris at 410-535-1600, ext. 2566. Thank you for your kind consideration of our position regarding this important Bill.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CALVERT COUNTY, MARYLAND

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Earl F. Hance".

Earl F. Hance, President

cc: Calvert County Senators and Calvert County Delegation