



**We are honored to represent Baltimore County's District 7A.
Here are the top five takeaways from this year's session:**

1. Protecting Children and Fighting Crime

Last year we closed the child pornography loophole. This year, we faced another shocking loophole that placed children in danger. Under current law, juveniles on the sex offender registry were not prohibited from attending public school or entering school property. This was brought to our attention after a brave mother whose 3-year-old daughter was raped informed us that the juvenile perpetrator was enrolled in Patterson High School - with access to other children. **This was a priority issue.** After multiple attempts to pass legislation, offering amendments, and pleading with Annapolis leadership and the general public, we were happy to **support and vote for the Juvenile Law - Reform HB814 which closed this loophole.**

2. Supporting Local Law and Code Enforcement

Delegate Nawrocki sponsored HB1485 - *Baltimore County – Out-of-State Vehicles – Improper Registration* - which was **co-sponsored by bipartisan members** across the County. Most members of the Baltimore County Council supported it. The bill aimed to provide Baltimore County with another tool to **address the Virginia license plate issue**, which has resulted in uninsured motorists driving on our roadways. It was enabling legislation that allowed Baltimore County the option to tow vehicles that are improperly tagged per the timeframes outlined in state law. This bill is aimed at those who intentionally attempt to avoid Maryland law and **drive on our roadways without insurance.**

The statewide registration requirement is in place to ensure that vehicle owners comply with critical state motor vehicle laws. These laws include emissions testing, insurance requirements, administrative penalties for citations, and other important measures intended to **promote public safety.** While the bill successfully passed the Baltimore County Delegation, it was held up in committee. Instead, a similar bill written for Baltimore City was expanded to additional jurisdictions and, rather than impounding vehicles, a study will be taken over the next six months and reported to the Maryland General Assembly for further discussion and potential future legislation.

3. Funding for Local Projects

The Delegates proposed a legislative bond to support the Bowleys Quarters Volunteer Fire Company with overdue improvements to its firehouse parking lot. **\$125,000 was approved for use in various projects, such as paving and curb repair.**

4. Defeating Assisted Suicide, Explicit School Curriculum, and Antisemitism

Despite the odds, we have defeated some bad bills, including Physician Assisted Suicide for the **7th time**. Another bad bill returned which required each local school system to follow the state health framework which teaches radical gender ideology beginning in PreK including explicit sexual acts to 12-year-olds in our public schools. The bill allowed for parents to opt out of family life and human sexuality topics but NOT gender identity or sexual orientation. **We voted against this in the House; fortunately, the Senate didn't pass it.**

After the October 7th horrific and deadly attack on Israel by Hamas, CAIR Executive Director Zainab Chaudry posted unapologetic antisemitic remarks on social media. **We called for her immediate removal** from the MD Commission Against Hate Crimes. Unfortunately, it took a law to get an antisemite off of the hate crimes commission! **We co-sponsored the bill that did pass, which will allow for future suspensions or removals due to misconduct.** We were also instrumental in getting the Montgomery County Public Library system to reverse a discriminatory policy that required white men to pay more than anyone else to participate in a Comic-Con event in their public building.

5. Defeating Speed Cameras Again!

Gov. Moore presented a budget in January that included fee increases, transferred funds from other balances, and took money out of the Rainy-Day Fund. The House budget included a \$1.4 billion tax increase, the largest tax increase in Maryland history. The Senate refused to accept these tax increases, and the budget committees went into a stalemate, refusing to pass a budget and even threatening to keep the legislature in Annapolis beyond the 90-day session. After thousands of emails and phone calls from angry taxpayers, the House of Delegates withdrew the tax increases. The House and Senate budget committees still passed a \$450 million tax and fee increase. **We sent a letter urging the Governor to veto any bills with new or higher taxes or fees.** The bill passed, we voted no. However, we successfully **defeated the expansion of speed cameras across Baltimore County for the 2nd time.** At least this local tax won't hit your bank account.



We were honored to be featured on a **weekly radio program on WCBM 680AM** as well as provide **opinion pieces in The Baltimore Sun** during session and a weekly article in **The Avenue News and Nottingham MD** year-round. Should we ever be able to help you and your family, we hope that you will not hesitate to reach out to us. We look forward to seeing you around town!



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