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# Briefing on Disproportionate Discipline in Maryland Schools

### **Hosted By:**

The Maryland Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights

### Date/Time/Location:

Friday, August 24, 2018 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (open session to follow)

#### **Morgan State University**

Martin D. Jenkins Behavioral & Social Sciences Building First Floor Lecture Hall

1700 E. Cold Spring Lane Baltimore, MD 21251

Parking: Morgan Commons Garage (Building is at the corner of Argonne Drive & Hillen Road)

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Phone: 1-202-376-7533 Fax: 1-202-376-7548 Online: www.usccr.gov The Maryland Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights will hold a public meeting to examine the discipline, suspension, and expulsion rates for students of color and students with disabilities. The federal data show disproportionate exclusions nationwide for both groups in suspensions, expulsions, and arrests. Data show disproportionality remains a serious concern in Maryland schools.

The Committee will look at what, if any, effective services are in place to address disabilityrelated behaviors, whether disciplinary policies or practices are applied in a discriminatory manner against students of either or both groups, and what strategies are most effective to remedy disproportionate discipline.

Presenters include: state education officials, school administrators, advocates, and community leaders.

The Committee will also hear brief statements during the public comment session as time allows.

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