

## No More Excuses No More Delays!

Governor Larry Hogan held a press conference and is re-designating the crime legislation he proposed at the beginning of this session, and calling it **emergency legislation**. There is a sense of urgency, literally a matter of life and death, to address the violent crime crisis in Baltimore City. We are more than half-way through the session and in that time 104 people have been shot and 39 people have been killed. The bills proposed require stronger penalties, tougher sentences and an increase in judicial transparency and can be signed into law and take effect immediately. I share his frustration that some Democratic committee chairs are not even bringing up the legislation for discussion.

***"I'm going to keep hammering this, not because I want to disagree or have a fight with them, but because I want to stop people from being killed in the city. We have more people murdered in Baltimore City, we have 600,000 people, than in New York City with 8,600,000 people. We're the murder capital of America. I mean, it's crazy."*** -Governor Larry Hogan