Science Policy Stance of Candidates Representing Baltimore, Maryland

Jesse Colvin (Democrat) for US House District 1

- **Environment / Climate Change:** Supports solar and wind energy, especially offshore wind farms; clean energy jobs for the future; expansion of public transportation; climate resiliency, including natural disaster relief.

- **Gun Violence:** Colvin is a Moms Demand Action Candidate in distinction. Supports the Red Flag Restraining Order, universal background checks, and banning bump stocks.

- **Opioid Epidemic:** Promotes 3-prong approach: prevention, treatment and recovery. Supports a community-led approach that embraces community leaders to achieve results.

- **Women’s Reproductive Rights:** Supports women’s right to choose, expanding access to family planning services and reproductive health care.

Representative Dutch Ruppersberger (Democrat) for US House District 2

- **Environment / Climate Change:** The goal is to reduce reliance on foreign oil, invest in renewable energy with wind, solar, and nuclear (with nuclear safety regulations) energy, invest in domestic energy by natural gas, and limit pollution in the Chesapeake Bay.

- **Gun Violence:** The goal is to address the sale of firearms in mentally ill, require background checks for all gun sales, ban bump stocks and high-capacity magazines, and ban true assault weapons.

- **Opioid Epidemic:** The goal is to expand access to overdose reversal drugs, re-evaluate the best practices for pain management, and expand funding for a steady stream to support treatment and recovery.

- **Women’s Reproductive Rights:** The goal is to uphold a woman’s right to choose- women should have the right to make their own healthcare decisions.

Representative John Sarbanes (Democrat) for US House District 3

- **Environment / Climate Change:** Goal is to clean up the Chesapeake Bay by reducing run-off, protect groundwater aquifers from fracking, invest in solar energy, and prevent oil drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge in Alaska.

- **Gun Violence:** Goal is to increase federal investment in gun violence prevention research, require universal background checks, and prohibit manufacturing of semi-automatic guns for consumer use.
• **Opioid Epidemic**: Goal is to expand access to overdose reversal drugs, increase treatment and substance-abuse providers, and increase education, treatment, and recovery programs as a public health issue (rather than criminal).

• **Women’s Reproductive Rights**: Goal is to uphold a woman’s right to choose, to provide equal rights for women and equal pay, to provide paid maternity leave, and to reduce sexual violence.

**Charles Anthony** (Republic) for US House District 3
Declined our request for comment and does not have a website.

**Senator Ben Cardin** (Democrat) for US Senate
Staff directed us to www.cardin.senate.gov to interpret Cardin’s track record as evidence for future support re:

• **Environment / Climate Change**: Supports diversifying energy sources, transitioning to alternative and renewable energy sources, clean air and water sources, and treating climate change as a national security imperative.

• **Opioid Epidemic**: Cardin supported expanding telehealth services for treatment, bundle payments for medication-assisted treatment under Medicare, and research to study peer support services and housing-related services with substance-abuse programs.

• **Women’s Reproductive Rights**: Opposes health insurance companies charging women higher premiums. Promotes access to family planning services and accessible health care options.

The following candidates were contacted and did not respond, view websites for information:

- **Ben Jealous** (Democrat) for Governor
  benjealous.com

- **Gov. Larry Hogan** (Republican) for Governor
  larryhogan.com

- **Representative Elijah Cummings** (Democrat)
  for US House District 7
  cummingsforcongress.com

- **Tony Campbell** (Republican) for US Senate
  campbell4maryland.com

- **Andy Harris** (Republican) for US House District 1
  andyharris.com

- **Liz Matory** (Republican) for US House District 3
  lizmatory.com

- **Richmond Davis** (Republican) for US House District 7
  No website