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The Honorable Senator Guy Guzzone, Chair Budget & Taxation Committee 3 West Miller Senate Office Building Annapolis, MD 21401

Re: SB0076 – Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Public Safety Volunteers

Senator Guzzone:

The Board of County Commissioners for Calvert County writes to **SUPPORT SB0076**. Increasing to \$10,000 a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for an individual who is a qualifying public safety volunteer can aid in recruitment and retention of volunteers. The cost associated with this initiative is *de minimus* when compared to the substantial savings of public funds for the work of these public safety volunteers, and a small token of gratitude for their willingness to serve the community.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact County Administrator Julian M. Willis at 410-535-1600, extension 2202 or County Attorney John Norris at 410-535-1600, extension 2566. Thank you for your kind consideration of our position regarding this important Bill.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CALVERT COUNTY, MARYLAND

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cc: The Honorable Senator Jack Bailey