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Judicial Proceedings Committee

**Executive Nominations Committee** 



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## THE SENATE OF MARYLAND ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

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RE: Fire/EMS Coalition Support for Senate Bill 210

Dear Chair Beidle, Vice Chair Klausmeier, and Members of the Committee,

The Fire/EMS Coalition would like to express their support for Senate Bill 210: Emergency Medical Services – Paramedics – Immunization Administration – Effective Date. Requested by the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems, this bill will delay the effective date of January 1, 2030 repealing the authority given to paramedics to administer influenza and 2019CoV immunizations under circumstances.

The Fire/EMS Coalition supports Senate Bill 210 as it will continue to allow paramedics to assist residents in all areas of the state to be vaccinated against influenza and 2019CoV.

Sincerely,

Senator Mike McKay

Representing the Appalachia Region of Maryland Serving Garrett, Allegany, and Washington Counties

## **Voting Organizations:**

Maryland Fire Chief's Association (MFCA)
Maryland State Firemen's Association (MSFA)
State Fire Marshal (OSFM)
Maryland Fire Rescue Institute (MFRI)
Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services System (MIEMMS)
Metro Fire Chief's Association
Professional Firefighters of Maryland

**Our Mission Statement** 

The Maryland Fire/EMS Coalition unites Republicans and Democrats in support of fire/emergency services legislation that benefit all first responders. Becoming a member does not require taking positions on legislation; rather Coalition members are asked to offer support in a way that best benefits fire/emergency services in their respective Legislative Districts.