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By: Chairman, Economic Matters Committee (Departmental - State Police, Dept. of)

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT con	cerning
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- Workers' Compensation Heart and Lung Disease Presumption Deputy

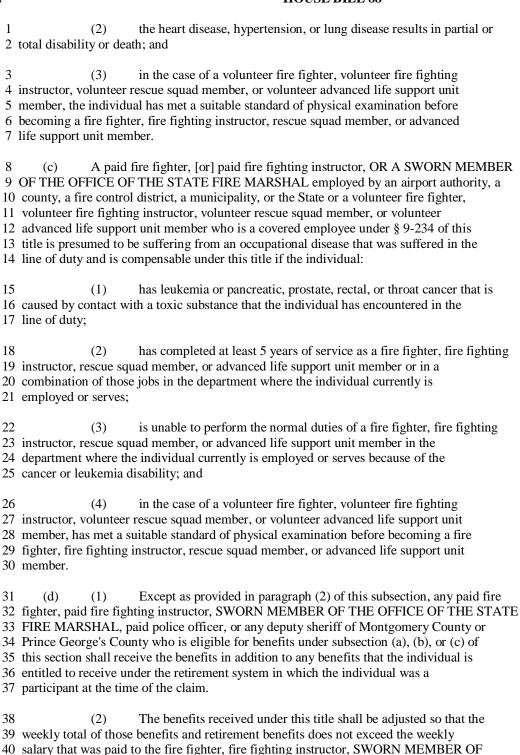
 State Fire Marshal
- 4 FOR the purpose of adding sworn members of the Office of the State Fire Marshal to
- 5 the list of individuals that may be presumed under certain circumstances to
- 6 have an occupational disease that was suffered in the line of duty; and generally
- 7 relating to occupational diseases under the Maryland Workers' Compensation
- 8 Act.
- 9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 10 Article Labor and Employment
- 11 Section 9-503(a), (c), and (d)
- 12 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 13 (1991 Volume and 1997 Supplement)
- 14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 15 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

16 Article - Labor and Employment

17 9-503.

- 18 (a) A paid fire fighter, [or] paid fire fighting instructor, OR SWORN MEMBER
- 19 OF THE OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL employed by an airport authority, a
- 20 county, a fire control district, a municipality, or the State or a volunteer fire fighter,
- 21 volunteer fire fighting instructor, volunteer rescue squad member, or volunteer
- 22 advanced life support unit member who is a covered employee under § 9-234 of this
- 23 title is presumed to have an occupational disease that was suffered in the line of duty
- 24 and is compensable under this title if:
- 25 (1) the individual has heart disease, hypertension, or lung disease;

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41 THE OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL, police officer, or deputy sheriff.

1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take 2 effect October 1, 1998.