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The Honorable Delores Kelley, Chairwoman and Members of the Finance Committee

**RE: SB725 Workers' Compensation – Occupational Disease Presumptions – COVID -19**

**POSITION: SUPPORT**

The Maryland Troopers Association (MTA) has a membership strength of over 2,500 members of which more than 1,000 are active sworn Troopers involved in traffic and criminal enforcement throughout the State of Maryland.

The MTA supports SB725, which covers certain employees suffering from COVID-19 while in the line of duty and is compensable in a certain manner.

Maryland State Troopers are integral members of the law enforcement community in Maryland. Given the role that our Maryland State Troopers perform in the public safety of our counties and state we feel that this change is warranted and justified in this unprecedented time. Therefore, the Maryland Troopers Association supports SB725 and request a favorable report.

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