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Chair Guzzone and distinguished members of the Budget and Taxation Committee.

My name is Cheryl Glang. I am a spouse of a retired Admiral of the NOAA Corps, the smallest of the 8 uniformed services. Thank you for the opportunity to speak today on testify in FAVOR of Senator Jackson's bill, **SB 130 - "Income Tax Subtraction Modification – Military and Public Safety Retirement Income,"** in my role as a member of the MOAA MD Council of Chapters Spouse and Surviving Spouse Liaison and a past President of the NOAA Corps Officers Family Association..

NOAA's headquarters is in Silver Spring, MD and many of our officers assigned there live in Maryland. Some will call Maryland home once they retire and may even seek second careers in the government or the private sector. Each year more states offer full retirement pay exemptions – currently there are 35 of them. With current trends where remote work options are increasingly becoming permanent this leaves Maryland an even less desirable retirement state for our NOAA Corps retirees and their spouses. (I have included a map and fact sheet in my written testimony.) For more than two decades, MOAA and other service-related organizations in the state, have been advocating for legislative action to help make the state a more desirable retirement destination for retirees, their spouses, and families. SB130 is an incremental step in the right direction.

Senator Jackson's bill, SB130, makes the next logical incremental step toward the ultimate 100% objective. **The MOAA Maryland Council will, and does, support any legislation which advances the income tax subtraction for military retired pay.** As you consider the many similar bills on this topic in this session, please advance SB 130 in the legislative process by giving it a **FAVORABLE** report out of the Budget and Taxation Committee.

Respectfully,

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