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HB 934 Gasoline-Powered Leaf Blowers - Sale, Offering for Sale, and Use - Prohibition

My name is Robert Phillips the Legislative Committee Chairman for the Maryland State Firefighter's Association (MSFA).

I wish to present testimony in favor with amendments of **HB 934: Gasoline- Powered Leaf Blowers – Sale, Offering for Sale, and Use – Prohibition**

This legislation is supported by the MSFA with the amendment that would allow the fire service to continue to use present equipment until it needs to be replaced. At that time the fire service would replace the leaf blower with battery powered equipment as regulated by this bill.

I thank the committee for their time on this important issue and ask that you FAVORABLY support House Bill 934 with this amendment.

Thank you and I'd be glad to answer any questions that you might have.