

# MARYLAND STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION

REPRESENTING THE VOLUNTEER FIRE, RESCUE, AND EMS PERSONNEL OF MARYLAND.



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## HB 1472 Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Volunteer Fire, Rescue, and Emergency Medical Services

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

I wish to present testimony in favor of HB 1472: Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Volunteer Fire, Rescue, and Emergency Medical Services

This legislation will assist the state wide volunteer fire service with recruitment and retention of new members. We ask for new members to join us protecting our neighbors and neighborhoods. When asked what the benefits of being a first responder are, this is another tool in our tool box to assist us in recruiting and retaining volunteers.

I thank the committee for their time on this important issue and that you FAVORABLY support House Bill 1472.

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