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Testimony in Favor of SB0364
Property Tax Credit – Dwellings of Public Safety Officers – Retired Personnel

Chairman Guzzone, Vice-Chair Rosapepe, & members of the Budget and Taxation Committee,

I respectfully request a favorable report of Senate Bill 364, which would change the definition of a public safety officer as it relates to the enabling property tax credit offered by the State to include retired public safety professionals – not just those working full time.

Maryland's public safety service members remain a vital part of all Maryland communities, and while this Committee has taken action to support our retirees and public safety officers in a variety of ways, this legislation puts another option on the table for counties to support retired public safety officers if they so choose.

Once again, I respectfully request a favorable report of Senate Bill 364 to financially support Maryland public safety officers through retirement.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sarah Elfreth".

Sarah Elfreth