

MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY VETERANS CAUCUS

TO: Chair Vanessa E. Atterbeary

Ways and Means Committee

FROM: Maryland Veterans Caucus, House Membership

DATE: February 3rd, 2023

RE: HB0508 – Property Tax Credit - Disabled Law Enforcement Officers and Rescue

Workers - Definition and Eligibility

The Maryland Veterans Caucus, House Membership respectfully requests a favorable report on HB0508 – Property Tax Credit - Disabled Law Enforcement Officers and Rescue Workers - Definition and Eligibility

This bill is sponsored by **Delegate Dana Jones** for the purpose of requiring a county or municipal corporation to define, by law, who is a law enforcement officer or rescue worker; altering eligibility for the tax credit to include certain disabled law enforcement officers or rescue workers who were domiciled in the State within a certain number of years before the officer or worker died or was determined to be disabled; and generally relating to county or municipal corporation property tax credits for disabled law enforcement officers and rescue workers. As we know, a significant number of veterans go onto work as Federal Officers.

The Veterans Caucus mission it to study, develop, and promote legislation designed to improve the quality of life for veterans in the State of Maryland in the areas of employment, education, economics, training, and health. And to assist the Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs in achieving its mission and goals, on behalf of the veterans in the State.

The Veterans Caucus Legislative Review Board offers and <u>recommends support and a favorable report of HB 0508.</u>

Thank you,

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Delegate Mike Rogers

Acting Chair, Veterans Caucus