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The Honorable Guy Guzzone, Chairman and Members of the Budget & Taxation Committee

RE: SB 346- Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Military Retirement Income

(Keep Our Heroes Home Act)

POSITION: SUPPORT

The Maryland Troopers Association (MTA) has a membership strength of approximately 2,629 members of which 1,120 are active sworn Troopers involved in traffic and criminal enforcement throughout the State of Maryland.

To honor those who sacrifice their lives every day, MTA supports an increase in a subtraction modification under the MD income tax to allow for a subtraction of all military retirement income.

Our MTA members include several active and retired military members that are Troopers. We believes this legislation will act as an incentive for them to remain in Maryland and not feel the need to reside in other states once retired.

Maryland State Troopers and military members are integral members of the community in Maryland. Given the role that they perform to preserve the public safety of our counties and state, we feel that this small change is warranted and justified.

Therefore, the Maryland Troopers Association strongly supports SB 346 and request a favorable report.

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