## **Maryland State Firefighters Association**

Representing The Volunteer Fire, Rescue, And EMS Personnel of Maryland.



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## SB 255 Public Safety – Volunteer Company Assistance Fund – Alterations

My name is Robert Phillips, and I am the legislative chair for the Maryland State Firefighters Association (MSFA). I would like to present testimony in favor of: SB 255 Public Safety – Volunteer Company Assistance Fund – Alterations

The MSFA is in full support of this bill. The MSFA is the association that works with volunteer fire companies through the application process to secure a loan or grant for a new piece of fire equipment, building repair or replacement.

This bill defines the proper flow of paperwork from the volunteer fire company, to the MSFA and onto the Maryland Department of Emergency Management (MDEM) to be properly filed and the loan or grant finalized.

Thank you for your attention to this very important bill, and I ask for your FAVORABLE vote on SB 255.

I will now be glad to answer any questions, or my contact information is listed above and I welcome any inquiries you may have.