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RE: Fire/EMS Coalition Support for SB759

Dear Chairman Guzzone, Vice Chairman Rosapepe, and Members of the Committee,

The Fire/EMS Coalition would like to express their support for Senate Bill 759:
Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Public Safety Employee Retirement Income. This bill alters a certain subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for retirement income attributable to a person’s employment as a public safety employee to include certain retirement income attributable to also include 9-1-1 specialists. This begins taxable years after December 31, 2024

The Fire/EMS Coalition supports Senate Bill 759 as 9-1-1 specialists are just as integral as other first responders. They are the truest first responders as they deal with the emergency as soon as the call comes in.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike McKay".

Senator Mike McKay
Representing the Appalachia Region of Maryland
Serving Garrett, Allegany, and Washington Counties

Voting Organizations:
Maryland Fire Chief’s Association (MFCA)
Maryland State Firefighter’s Association (MSFA)
State Fire Marshal (OSFM)
Maryland Fire Rescue Institute (MFRI)
Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services System (MIEMMS)
Metro Fire Chief’s Association
Professional Firefighters of Maryland

Our Mission Statement

The Maryland Fire/EMS Coalition unites Republicans and Democrats in support of fire/emergency services legislation that benefit all first responders. Becoming a member does not require taking positions on legislation; rather Coalition members are asked to offer support in a way that best benefits fire/emergency services in their respective Legislative Districts.