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TESTIMONY – SENATE BILL 805
PUBLIC SAFETY – 9-1-1 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM –
DEFINITION OF FIRST RESPONDERS

EDUCATION, ENERGY, AND THE ENVIRONMENT
COMMITTEE

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Chair Feldman, Vice Chair Kagan, and Committee Members:

Senate Bill 805 is a very straightforward piece of legislation that adds three classifications of Maryland Department of Transportation employees to the “first responder” classification within the public safety article. These employees include emergency response technicians, facility maintenance technicians, and vehicle services and recovery technicians.

The aim of this legislation is to simply provide these public servants the classification of first responder due to the dangerous work that they do and the important role that they play in the public safety apparatus.

For the reasons listed above, I ask for a favorable report of Senate Bill 805.