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RE: Fire/EMS Coalition Support for SB523

Dear Chair Beidle, Vice Chairman Hayes, and Members of the Committee,

The Fire/EMS Coalition would like to express their support for Senate Bill 523: **State Employees – Cancer Screening – Paid Leave.** This is a basic bill that provides state employees with up to four hours of paid cancer screening leave with in a 12-month period.

THE SENATE OF MARYLAND

ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

The Fire/EMS Coalition supports Senate Bill 523 as it will provide screenings for those who are most susceptible to hazardous conditions in their line of work.

Sincerely,

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

<u>Voting Organizations</u>: 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

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Williamsport Office 2N Conococheque Street Williamsport Town Hall Williamsport, Maryland 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.