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HB 1131: Public Health – Buprenorphine – Training Grant Program and Workgroup

I am Chief Robert Phillips, Legislative Committee Chair for the Maryland State Firefighters Association (MSFA)

I wish to present testimony in support of **House Bill 1131: Public Health – Buprenorphine – Training Grant Program and Workgroup**

The MSFA is in support of this bill. With the addition of Buprenorphine for use in the field there needs to be a training and certification program and a way to pay for it. We already have an opioid restitution fund which is restricted in what it can be used for. The MSFA supports the use of this fund for the training and certification, if the requested funding does not interfere with present funded projects.

The MSFA asks that you return a FAVORABLE vote on HB 1131

Thank you and I would be glad to answer any questions you might have

Respectfully:

Robert Phillips

