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RE: Fire/EMS Coalition Support for HB580

Dear Chair Pena-Melnyk, Vice Chair Cullison, and Members of the Committee,

The Fire/EMS Coalition would like to express their support for Senate Bill 580: **Terminology and Obsolete References – Maryland State Firefighters Association and Related Terms.** This is a simple bill that will update the laws in Maryland to reflect the change in name of the Maryland State *Firemen's* Association to their current name the Maryland State *Firefighters* Association.

The Fire/EMS Coalition supports House Bill 580 in order to reflect the current name and status of MSFA throughout Maryland's laws.

Sincerely,

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.