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RE: Fire/EMS Coalition Support for HB459

Dear Chairman Smith, Vice Chairman Waldstreicher, and Members of the Committee,

The Fire/EMS Coalition would like to express their support for House Bill 459:

**Health Insurance – Cancer Screening for Professional Firefighters – Required Coverage (James “Jimmy” Malone Act.** This bill will require full coverage for professional firefighters for cancer screenings. It will also require the Secretary of Budget and Management, the counties, and municipalities to ensure certain employee health benefit plans comply with coverage requirements for professional firefighters.

The Fire/EMS Coalition supports House Bill 459 as it will benefit all firefighters in health needs and assist them in taking proactive measures against sicknesses.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read '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.