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RE: Fire/EMS Coalition Opposition to SB0159

Dear Chair Feldman, Vice Chair Kagan, and Members of the Committee,

The Fire/EMS Coalition would like to express their opposition to Senate Bill 159: **Emergency Medical Services - Vehicles and Ambulances - Required Supplies, Reviews, and Complaints**. This bill will require the Executive Director of the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems to coordinate the minimum equipment, supplies, and medications to be available on emergency medical services vehicles; will require each county and municipality that operates or contracts emergency medical services to conduct quarterly reviews of ambulance performance data; and will require each county to establish and maintain a formal complaint filing system regarding ambulance quality, conduct, or compliance.

The Fire/EMS Coalition opposes Senate Bill 159.

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)
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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.