

SB0579_Crossfiled Bill

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TESTIMONY ON CROSS-FILED BILL SB#0579- POSITION:
FAVORABLE

Counties – No–Cost Preventive Cancer Screenings for Volunteer Firefighters

TO: Chair Bagnall, Vice Chair Cullison, and members of the Health Committee

FROM: Richard Keith Kaplowitz

My name is Richard Keith Kaplowitz. I am a resident of District 3, Frederick County. I am submitting this testimony in support of cross-filed bill SB#0579, **Counties – No–Cost Preventive Cancer Screenings for Volunteer Firefighters**

This bill is personally important to me as my daughter-in-law is a firefighter. This bill will protect our first responders throughout Maryland in jurisdictions not yet covering this for their firefighters.

I missed submitting testimony on the cross-filed bill version heard in your chamber. That was bill HB1602 which did not come out of committee. This is the crossover bill from the other chamber SB0579. I urge you to support this bill which passed the Senate with amendments by the vote of 45-0. Please pass this bill in your committee and in the House and return it to the Senate for final passage.

I respectfully urge this committee to return a favorable report on cross-filed bill SB#0579.